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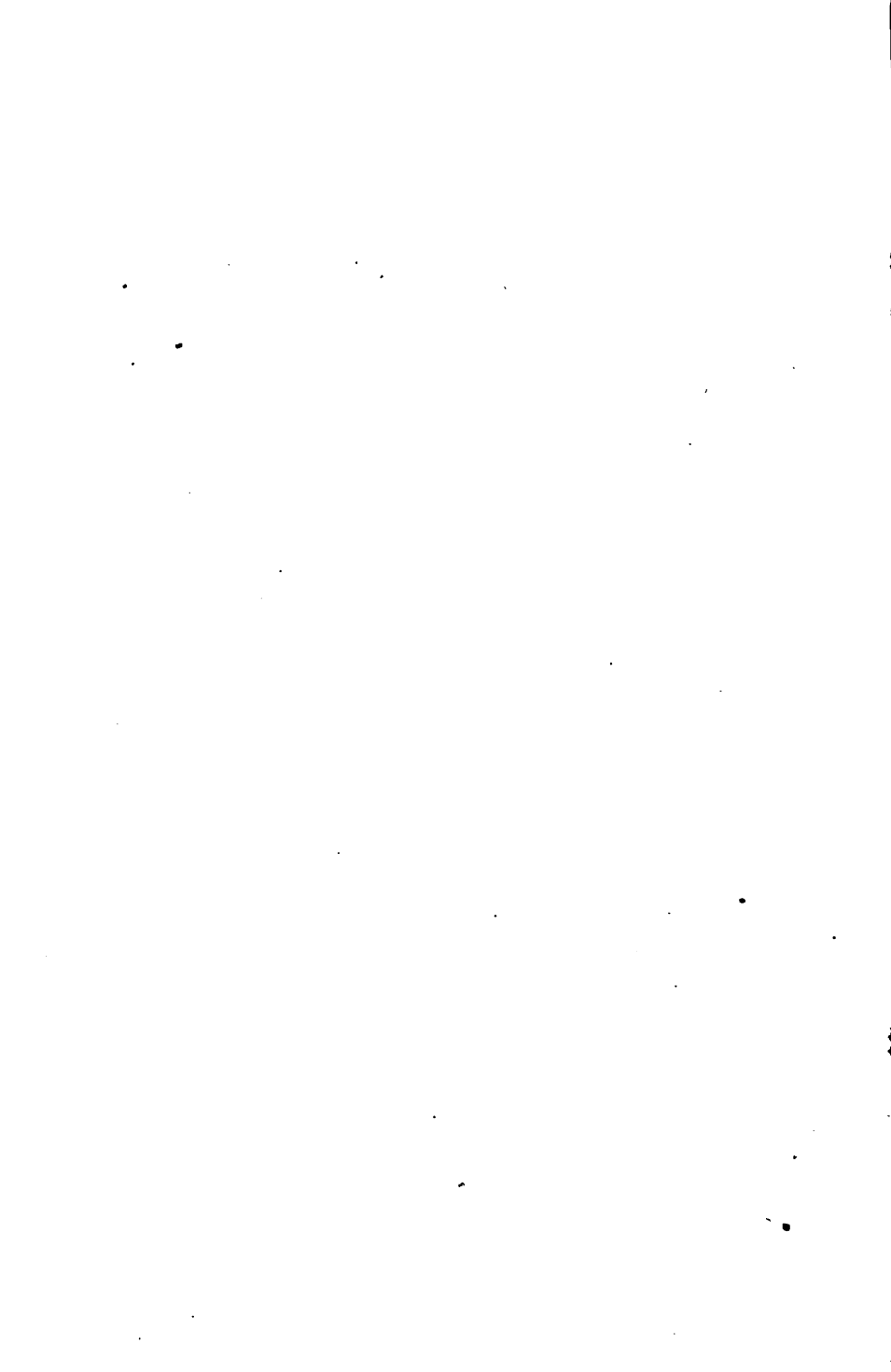


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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

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OF THE NORTHWEST.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, }  
GEORGE H. HARLOW, SECRETARY OF STATE. }

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS a certificate, duly signed and acknowledged, having been filed in the office of the Secretary of State, on the 15th day of July, A. D., 1875, for the organization of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, under and in accordance with the provisions of "An act concerning Corporations," approved April 18th, 1872, and in force July 1st, 1872.

NOW THEREFORE, I, George H. Harlow, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the powers and duties vested in me by law, do hereby certify that the said Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, is a legally organized corporation under the laws of this State.

In Testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of State.

Done in the City of Springfield this 15th day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-ninth.

GEORGE H. HARLOW,  
*Secretary of State.*

## REPORT OF HOME SECRETARY.

MRS. GEO. H. LAFLIN.

We are in the second decade of our work, and it is well begun; but this does not imply any relaxation of effort, if we intend to go forward. We have been aptly compared to the builders of colleges, who, having completed the houses, go on securing apparatus, libraries and teachers. Each auxiliary is responsible for some furnishing of this grand temple, that has been raised and dedicated to the Redeemer of the world.

There are many indications at the present time that missions are very popular. The press favors them; rich men make large donations and leave liberal legacies for their support, while foreign rulers are not only *willing*, but some are *asking* that their people may be taught Christianity.

Queens are becoming nursing mothers of the church. The royal message from England is: "We should wish it generally known that we sympathize with every effort made to relieve the suffering state of the women of India." A report was recently printed of the fortieth anniversary of a missionary society composed of the clerks in a large mercantile house in London, the contributions reaching \$600 for the last year. A porter in a Mexican mission, with a monthly salary of \$20, has built at San Lorenzo a church for the free use of the mission and a house for the native preacher. A noble woman of our own number has, during the last year, assumed the entire support of two missionaries; and a gentleman in one of our western States has contributed \$2,600 as a memorial (better than marble shaft) for his wife. The "Mite Society" has increased its contributions. So all classes would seem to be heart and hand in mission work. A review of the year will show if we, as a Board, are fully abreast with the times.

Of the 2,085 Presbyterian churches in the Northwestern States and Territories, located within 57 Presbyteries, only 1,100 report foreign missionary work. Surely there is not a Christian pastor in America who discountenances this enterprise because of much home work! Shall I refuse my poor neighbor a slice of bread because my own children *could* eat the whole loaf?

On our records we have 1,284 Auxiliaries and Bands, and 45 Missionaries, including three now in this country. We have equipped and sent out ten new teachers, all of whom are at their stations.

This recalls to many a model lesson taught in the 1st Presbyterian Church, Chicago, last September, when several young ladies stood up before a large audience and expressed such genuine pleasure that they were permitted to give very much for Christ's sake. There was the ivory and the ebony ready for the temple of our Lord. Misses Warner, Wishard and Wirt set their faces toward Siam. Misses Hesser and Garvin have been welcomed in Japan, and Miss Harding is hastening up the river towards the heart of the dark continent. Mrs. J. Newton Hayes and Miss Farnham are in China, while Miss Pendleton is in India preparing to take charge of the Dehra Girls' School. In Persia Mrs. Alexander represents us. The seminary in Oxford, Ohio, has furnished the majority of these new workers, and we turn thitherward while seeking for as many more cheerful, strong, consecrated Christians to reinforce weary mission soldiers the coming year. To some it appears that training in the Western Female Seminary is partial to this work; but Miss Peabody has said that while 50 of the 3,000 graduates of this institution have gone abroad, hundreds are engaged in home work. This ratio must become more nearly equal or the utterance of an intelligent Englishman will become a prophecy. "The fear is not that we shall be discouraged by the small result already attained, but that the result is becoming so great and increasing so rapidly, it may ere long so grow on your hands that you cannot cope with it."

A shadow fell over the Syrian Mission when Mrs. H. H. Jessup

was called to higher service last spring. Mrs. Rollo Ogden, of Mexico, has returned home to work when health comes back to the over-taxed body. Thus, frequently the names of our sister substitutes are erased from our lists and transferred, some to other harvest fields, many to that company who bear the new names that are found written in the Book of Life.

Although the circulation of the magazines has increased, it is not yet as general as it should be, if our ladies expect to ever become acquainted with the work and proceed intelligently. We repeat a former suggestion, that each Auxiliary appoint one person to secure a subscriber in every family in the parish. This will require some extra labor, but the smallest duty just in your own path is what you are to do. "In ancient hieroglyphs 'love' was represented by the figure of a 'hoe.' Love will prompt one to dig, and dig cheerfully." Hereafter when you hear the query of the Saviour, "Lovest thou me?" you will recognize an undertone, *Workest thou for love of me?*

The venerable President Hopkins says "The true inspiring motive of all missionary work is not mere enthusiasm, nor the coercion of conscience, but *love to Christ*—guided by the sense of duty, and lifting the soul above all doubtful questions."

A Western lady writes: "It has come to pass that nearly all my social pleasures (and they are not few) come to me in some way through my missionary work, directly or indirectly, but surely. I have not heard of any one in the Presbytery who considered it a boon to be Secretary, but that is because they do not know what the delightful accompaniments are, nor how the recompense overpays the labor."

The widespread influence emanating from Room 48 seems like a visible blessing of the God of missions. Mr. McCormick has given the Board the perpetual use of the room. It has been enlarged by the addition of the adjoining room, giving ample space for the cabinet, library, and missionary literature, which are free to all members, and we cordially invite you to call when passing through Chicago. Bear in mind also that a few words from any of you will help to interest our readers

and the monthly meetings at "48." Proclaim your gratitude for success, as do the Chinese for answered prayers. They pray to a certain god for cure of disease, promising to place thousands of cards on the wall of the town, which read: "I (name), suffering from some disease, was cured by (name of the god), and I publish the cure to his praise in these cards."

The changes made in the limits of synods has not deranged our work. The monthly letter has been sent out, and has proved valuable in many societies. Some action will be necessary in regard to the manner of presenting this letter. Synodical and Presbyterial officers must be willing to help in this matter.

We have often urged you to give your money into the general fund, as much is needed for printing Bibles, paying house rent, teachers for our new missionaries learning the language, school books, and the numberless expenses that creep into every household. Consider the power of the Bible in civilizing and Christianizing the world, and tell how money can be better used than in its translation and circulation. It is a great unifying power; as in China, where there are eighteen dialects, one translation of the Bible is used by all. The educated Japanese use the same translation. A startling fact this, that anything printed in Chinese is read by nearly one-third of the inhabitants of the world! Again, when Luther translated the Bible into the German language, he went into the streets to hear from the common people idioms that were familiar in all the provinces, and that book was a great force in the union of the German states, for it was the first book all the nation could read in one print. So the Arabic Bible is read by millions of people of different nations. This power has reached Persia and reacted, for last year a New York paper received \$47.00 from that far country as prepaid subscriptions.

Here it is well to consider methods of work, trying to secure the best results; asking that any society hitting upon a new practical plan hereafter, will forward it to the Executive Committee for recommendation to others. Such help would add to the value of The Interior column. One of our large churches

has had no missionary to support the past year, and yet has not fallen behind in contributions. To interest the ladies in one church, they have reviewed some recent publication on the country under consideration, and the reviewers testify that they themselves have derived the most benefit. Another one informs us that, for the coming year, twelve ladies have pledged themselves to be responsible for information of one country each month, thus materially assisting the officers, while having a long time for preparation.

In striving to enlarge the contributions for the coming year, it has been suggested that, *in proportion to former gifts*, we apportion the advance amount among the synods. A little responsibility will urge all on to help.

"So much attempted and so little done,  
This is the bitterness of growing old."

This will be our cry very soon if we go down from this meeting and do not carry out the plans we agree to here, even if our part does seem very insignificant. How shall the Master find our one talent? We shall not send many leaves for the healing of the nations if we say, "When it comes in my way, I give." This business demands earnestness, and forbids delay. We can hear the accents of despair when the aged Hindoo mother draws out from under her veil the thin, grey locks, saying: "These hairs have grown white waiting for the words of life." Have we failed in the responsibility imposed on us through Christ's command to the woman He had forgiven much, uttered before the empty tomb: "Go unto my brethren and say to them, I ascend unto my Father and your Father, and my God and your God."

## REPORT OF FOREIGN SECRETARIES.

MRS. S. H. PERRY.

Twelve years ago this organization of the Women of the Northwest became a factor in the aggressive mission of the church militant. The work was taken up and has been carried forward in faith and with unceasing prayer. The little one has become a thousand. The ranks are constantly augmented, and are steadfastly pressing forward with the one purpose of carrying light and life into the abodes of darkness and death. For the legend on our "Banner of Love," is the great command of the Captain of our salvation: Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

So we come to the review of the year with a grateful sense of the abiding presence and blessing of the Father of all spirits upon each department of the work, at home and abroad, while adoring love fills our hearts as we realize the weakness of the instrumentalities by which he is pleased to magnify his name.

Within this year of blessing and prosperity to our cause, nine new missionaries have gone out from us, to five different countries in Asia and Africa; three already in the field have been taken into our care, and one, a physician, thoroughly prepared for practice, is under appointment. The hospital at Oroomiah has been newly roofed and twelve beds are supported.

We are to undertake new work in Osaka, Japan, to assume the support of scholarships in the school to be opened at Lodi-ana, India, for boys, and to enlarge the work in Tabriz, Persia. We are also publishing in the Benga tongue, which is the language of millions in Africa, three books, "the Second Reader," "Peep of Day," and "Come to Jesus." This is in addition to work already established, and furnishes a mere hint at the progress being made in the enlargement of work, but

strongly suggests the necessity for largely increased offerings, consecrated in faith, with prayer, to this service for the Master.

We have two missionaries in the northern part of Wisconsin, among the Chippewas. One of these, MISS SUSIE A. DOUGHERTY, remains in the school at Odanah, which is both for boarding and day pupils of the Chippewa tribe. The number of pupils varies from twelve to forty, and the progress made is all that could be expected, for some sheaves have been gathered after patient, long-continued labor. Death has been busy during the winter, and more than one has passed away, giving evidence of faith in Christ.

MISS MARION McCLARRY is at Ashland, about forty miles from Odanah, where there are about twenty-five christian Indian families, and about the same number of unconverted families. She is encouraged by the energy they have exhibited in building a small church, and their interest in the little cottage built for her home, and towards the furnishing of which they gave their mite. An "elect lady," of Michigan, who has gone home to the Saviour, whom she has long served on earth, left funds which have been applied to the purchase of a bell for this little church in the wilderness. May its sweet tones draw many a soul to enter in and find the same Saviour!

At the mission among the Omahas, in Nebraska, we have now only one missionary, MISS MARGARET C. FETTER, MISS COPLEY having been compelled by ill health to retire from the work. MISS FETTER is still at her post, and has done more in visiting the women in their homes than formerly, and with much to encourage her. From the school fifteen pupils have been sent to Carlisle, Penn., to go on in the government school, which is evidence of their intelligence and promise, as well as of the patient care which prepared them to go.

The venerated MRS. A. E. W. ROBERTSON, since the closing of the school which she kept up on the ruins of Tullahassee, in the Indian Territory, and its transfer to Wealaka last summer, has devoted her strength more constantly to the important work of translation. Already the Creeks have the Gospel, and several of the Epistles, besides gospel hymns, in their own tongue,



MRS. ROBERTSON having recently finished the Epistle to the Hebrews. We trust she may have strength to complete this valuable work, and see the whole of the New Testament in the hands of the Creeks.

MISS LILLIAN GREEN remained at Tullahassee, assisting in the school until it was closed in August; since then she has been unfitted by the state of her health to take up work. She has, however, by her stirring words before several of our societies, during these past months, aroused their interest, and enlisted individuals before indifferent, so that even her waiting has borne good fruit. The work among the Sac and Fox Indians, in Iowa, which the ladies of that State have been preparing for by clearing away difficulties with faithful persistence, is looking much more hopeful. It is hoped that a lady will be soon duly appointed, and commence work among the women and children. It is expected that Rev. Melancthon E. Chapin and his wife will in a few months enter upon work for the Dakotas, in Montana, and Mrs. C. has been adopted by our Board. In

#### MEXICO

we have but one representative at present, Miss MARY E. COCHRANE, who conducts our school in Monterey with the aid of an efficient assistant, her sister, Mrs. Nicholson, having resigned at the close of the last year. Miss C. is heartily engaged in the school, and meets encouragement. She must have cheer from this Board by the sending out of a lady to aid her in building up her school. There is also a call for a teacher at Zacatecas, where, it is reported, a hundred children could be gathered in at once. We greatly regret that Mrs. Rollo Ogden's protracted illness has compelled her to relinquish her place in Mexico City and return to her home. In

#### BRAZIL, SOUTH AMERICA,

we have but two missionaries. Our principal work is in Rio Claro, and has been carried on jointly, during the year, by the Misses EVA DE GAMA and SOPHIE A. DALE, the latter assuming the duties of both while the former was recruiting health in the home land. Miss Dale reached Rio Claro, which is inland

nearly west of Rio Janeiro probably 400 miles, in the summer of 1881, and by January, 1882, had acquired sufficient command of the language to be able to assume the charge of the boarding and day school with the aid of faithful native helpers.

She says: "Our desire was to drill the children in Bible stories and the catechism, trying to teach them lessons which in after life could not be effaced. I think there are few children, even in the 'States,' that have a more thorough knowledge of the Bible than our little ones." On the return of Dr. De Gama's family last October, Miss De Gama resumed her place in the boarding school which she had so well filled in other years. From late reports we learn that the school year closed with seventy-five boys and girls in attendance, thirty-five being boarders. These are mostly from the neighboring districts, some of them from Christian families, and all from the midst of great ignorance and degradation. The result of their training, aside from what they learn of books, is shown in the transformation of their homes, as related by missionaries and travelers who have visited among them. And other fruit is rejoicing the hearts of these teachers, for at the first communion in January four girls and two boys made a public profession of their faith in Christ, and there are indications in the school that the spirit is operating upon other hearts. Miss Dale is perfecting her knowledge of the language preparatory to new plans of work.

There has been a change in the form of work in the vicinity of Rio Claro. The village schools at San Carlos and at Pirassanunga have been suspended, it being the opinion of the mission that more efficient work could be done by house-to-house visitation. Bible readers and colporteurs go through this region, and their work is reported as encouraging. A small school is still maintained at Limeria. In

#### AFRICA,

at Gaboon, on the West coast, we have still at her post Mrs. G. C. CAMPBELL, who assists her husband in the boys' school of about fifty pupils. For the present she is largely occupied in the care of the son born to them in August, and who thus far gives promise of making a vigorous missionary.

The school at Benita, farther north on the coast, engages our interest in several scholarships, and there we have one Bible reader. Mrs. DeHeer writes from Benita : "We have been signally blessed in our work, and the Lord has given us precious souls," fifteen having been added to the church, and the same number having entered the "Inquiry Class" within the year.

At Clay-Ashland, near Monrovia, Liberia, our native teacher, Mrs. WARDSWORTH is engaged in the Alexander High School, and also in visiting among the women in their homes. She writes of much encouragement in the intelligence and capacity of the pupils, but they are in great need of books, school books, hymn books, etc. There is not a book store in Liberia. Here is appropriate work for Sabbath School societies, or bands; one such has set a worthy example in sending to Mrs. Wardsworth a box of hymn books and picture cards.

Miss MARY L. HARDING, who went out in September with Miss Nassau, on her return to Africa, is followed with prayerful interest by those who are aware of all the hindrances which have fettered her, and the toil she has cheerfully borne, in completing a course of education in one of our noblest universities. Intellectually she is abundantly equipped, and not less so, it is believed, for spiritual work, in the land and among the peoples from whom her ancestors came, and to whose service in the name of her Master, she has consecrated all her rich spiritual, mental, and physical endowments.

After a two months trip from New York by way of Liverpool, the travelers reached Gaboon, where they were hospitably entertained by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, until the Mission decided upon their location. This has been fixed at Kangwe on the Ogovi River, which is south of the Gaboon, and the station is 165 miles from the sea by the river course, or 90 direct. There, Miss Harding is to take charge of our school for girls.

To these two in Africa we hope to add more, and to see Christian schools rapidly multiplied and the truth thus disseminated prove that many a little child shall lead parents and friends to the knowledge of their Saviour. As a feeder of this

supply, there is in North Carolina, "Scotia Seminary" for the education of colored youth of each sex.

Turning eastward again, toward the land of supreme interest to the Christian, we reach

#### SYRIA,

at Tripoli, where Miss FANNIE CUNDALL has labored in the flourishing school of 84 pupils. There is a boarding department in which are gathered thirteen bright-eyed Syrian girls, from different parts of the country, coming from widely separated villages. They as widely differ in features, language and dress, and their most frequent subjects of conversation are the claims of their respective villages to the first rank as regards natural productions. In these discussions patriotism is wont to rise to the height of enthusiasm!

The lighter work of the house is done by these thirteen pairs of little hands, and thus they learn how to be helpful in their own homes. We are pained to learn that Miss Cundall's health has failed to such a degree that the Mission lately decided that a return to the home land was imperative.

At Schweifat is our other Syrian worker, Miss SUSIE CALHOUN, who has a large school for girls under her care. She is assisted by the counsel of her mother, Mrs. Calhoun, who has labored long and lovingly among that people. The older girls in Miss Calhoun's school go to her house every Thursday, to be taught by her mother in Bible exercises; this is in addition to their Bible lesson in the school, and their Sabbath lesson.

One day Miss Calhoun was showing some little boys a picture of the Areopagus, when she found that one of them could tell her a good deal of Paul's address to the Athenians, and on questioning him, found that his mother had years ago been in the school, and that her children were well instructed.

Rev. Mr. Bird of Abeih sends us a full report of the twenty-five village schools for both boys and girls which this Board sustains in Syria, and which include nearly 1,000 pupils, embracing Protestants, Greek Catholics, Turks, Maronites, Druzes and Moslems. We regret that this cannot be given here in full. The smallest of these schools, at Beiwirty, numbers twenty, and the

largest, at Deir-il-Komr, 135 pupils. Mr. Bird, in allusion to a most timely gift of \$500, made by one individual through this Board, writes: "At our Mission meeting in August, we found that instead of having our estimates granted, they had been so cut down that our station, Abeih, must retrench to the amount of \$500. A debt for church building added to our embarrassment. How great has been the relief afforded by our faithful, sympathizing friends in America!" And still there are villages begging for schools which the Mission is unable to open. "What a mere handful we are in the midst of the mighty hosts of our enemies! What we need is not so much a wider sphere and ampler means, as that what we now employ be more effective. I would fain stir up the pure minds of the givers to these schools to much more earnest requests at the throne of grace in their behalf."

"Four young women who have been pupils in these schools have united with the church during the year. The schools are leavening the community. We are doing much sowing, setting out and planting, and though we are plucking some of the first fruits, yet it will be others who will gather the full harvest of our labors.

The Syrian olive tree bears more abundantly generations after he who planted it has moldered in dust than ever it did in his lifetime."

#### PERSIA,

a country associated in our minds with historic splendors, with the gorgeous realms of poetry, the strange rites of fire-worshippers, with rich fabrics and heavy broideries and carpets, has another aspect to our missionaries, who enter the miserable huts with mud floors, where these beautiful stuffs are wrought by the wretched inmates, who are crushed beneath the tyranny of a most oppressive government.

Our seven representatives are stationed at Oroomiah, Tabriz, and Teheran. Two, MISS SARAH BASSETT and MRS. VAN HOOK are in this country seeking restoration to health. Both are looking forward to a return to their chosen life-work.

MISS JENNIE DEAN, who has been in Persia since 1860, has the charge of the village schools, and has written of the reopening in the autumn of twenty of these schools, scattered over the plain in the vicinity of Oroomiah, after the usual examinations of the teachers. These teachers hold regular meetings for self-improvement and mutual aid in their work, and pastors and school boards are taking upon themselves work which was formerly done by the missionaries. The progress of the gospel and as a result the increased intelligence of the women is shown by their keeping up four organizations, which hold each a quarterly meeting and which they conduct entirely among themselves. Miss Dean labored to give these meetings a thoroughly spiritual character. At each money is contributed for benevolent purposes.

The boarding school at Oroomiah, in which Miss Dean is assisted by MISS AGNES CAREY, has been comprised of Moslem and Nestorian girls, but the jealousy of the government has prevented the Moslem girls from attending the past year. Miss Carey tells us that having learned that the Governor had expressed a wish to see the school, he was invited to attend an examination, and being a man of intelligence and information, he was impressed by what he saw and heard, and said he would like to send his own daughters, but that he was the servant of the Shah and must obey orders. Government puts no restrictions upon Jews, Armenians or Nestorians. Twelve girls were graduated from this school last summer.

At Tabriz this Board is represented by four ladies, MISS MARY JEWETT, MRS. HOLMES, MRS. VAN HOOK and MISS MARY CLARKE; yet more are needed, Mrs. Van Hook having been compelled to leave, and Miss Clarke having been ill through the winter went also in the spring to Oroomiah for a change, leaving Miss Jewett alone in the school. After a few months she was so far recovered that she returned to Tabriz in time to aid Miss Jewett in preparations for reopening the school in September.

Early in the year the death of Mariam is recorded, the first convert among the women of Tabriz. Her last illness was long

and painful, but borne with remarkable patience and trust in Jesus.

Preparations were made for the new building of the boarding school early in the spring. In digging for the foundations a handful of old coins was thrown up, and exaggerated reports reaching the authorities, the work was stopped for several weeks; consequently it was not all ready in time for the opening of the school, but the girls spread their pallets at night in the school-room, and will the better appreciate the space and comfort of the new dormitories when finished.

The close of the school for vacation had been marked by an entertainment, at which recitations were given in five languages, with selections from the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress and Hymn Book, which elicited the delighted applause of parents and friends. The school opened with sixteen boarding and two day pupils. Moslem girls keep away, as at Oroomiah, from fear of persecution. The increasing taste for ornamental work among the Armenians leads Miss Clark to think that the half afternoon spent in teaching the girls embroidery and other sewing is wisely expended; for by thus giving the girls a means of self-support, the school is rendered more popular and attractive.

We trust that soon Mrs. Van Hook will be able to return and coöperate with Miss Clark in the school, allowing Miss Jewett to give more time to evangelistic work, in which Miss C. hopes to aid her. Besides her regular school work Miss C. has translated "A Child's History of Christ," which will be helpful both in the school and in outside work.

Miss Jewett's work among the women has been blessed, although the persecution of the Government has frightened Moslem women from the meetings.

The unfinished building calls for funds, which we must supply.

At Teheran we meet the same sad story of over-tasked strength and broken health. Our one missionary at this city, Miss SARAH BASSETT, was ordered to the home land by her physician as the only hope of permanent recovery. Miss

Schenck, of the Philadelphia Board, her associate in the school at Teheran, has sent a report for the year, from which we can only give a few items. The school is largely increased in the number of pupils, and there is a marked contrast between the old and the new girls, which is cheering evidence of progress. There is much interest in Scripture study, and the voluntary prayer meetings of the girls also evince an increased interest in spiritual things.

The support of Mrs. Alexander in Hammedan, Persia, has been assumed by this Board.

We come now to our work in the vast Empire of

#### INDIA,

where are nine "elect" ladies under the care of this Board. One of these ladies, only, is in this country at present, Mrs. W. J. P. MORRISON, while Mrs. KELSO and Mrs. LUCAS have reached India again after a visit to America.

We have also, in the care of this Board in India, 16 schools, 35 scholarships, and 15 teachers and Bible women.

Mrs. KELSO's stay in this country had been cheering and helpful to herself and her co-workers, but the last months were saddened by the drooping of the youngest of her little flock, and the final removal of her precious Willie. But she has gone back with a fresh zeal and a warmer love to toil for children who know not a christian mother's care, and for mothers who have none of the precious hopes which sustain her in her sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelso are stationed at Lahore.

Mrs. LUCAS having been absent, we have no reports from the schools at Futtehghurh, nor have we heard from Mrs. WARREN, our missionary at Morar, Gwalior, though we learn that the new church is slowly approaching completion. Meantime she gathers her large Sabbath school within its walls, having no building large enough to hold it.

Mrs. BERGEN is at Ambala, where she has charge of the three schools in the vicinity, and looks after three Bible women. All are going on steadily, with nothing marked to report, though some evidence is given that the truth has been blest to the



saving of souls. The Sabbath school is made attractive to the children by gifts of pictures, many of them cut from newspapers, a plan which Mrs. Warren has long successfully used, and 225 boys are brought within their influence on the Sabbath. A recent letter from Rev. Mr. Bergen contains an authorized request to this Board to send two young ladies to Ambala for zenana work, the first request of the kind to this Board. Two others are asked for Saharanpur.

Miss MARY E. PRATT has been in charge of the school for Anglo-Indian girls at Kasauli, formerly under Miss Bacon's care, the latter having retired from the work.

The examination at the close of the year was a severe test of scholarship, and proved extremely gratifying to teachers and friends of the girls. But the Lodiana mission has decided upon a change in the work, by which this school is to be closed and Miss Pratt transferred to another station.

About the beginning of the year Miss ESTHER E. PATTON, our only representative in the Kolapoor mission, was transferred from Panhala to Rutnagari, a station seventy miles northwest of Kolapoor, where she was associated with the family of Rev. Mr. Seiler. She taught in Mrs. Seiler's school of about thirty high caste girls. With Mrs. Seiler she regularly visited the jail to teach and read the New Testament to the women confined there, and to sing hymns with them. They also visited the leper hospital every week, and the homes of the school children. Two of the girls had learned the entire catechism, and one woman recently died, rejoicing in Christ, her Saviour. She has found the low castes much more accessible by the truth than the high castes, as it was in the days when Jesus himself taught the people.

Miss Patton recently returned to Panhala and successfully passed her second examination in the Marathi language.

The changes in the work of the foreign fields which sometimes disturb our weak faith are necessitated by changes in circumstances which may arise from a variety of causes, either adverse or favorable to the work, and are made by vote of the Mission. The members of each Mission are most thoroughly

cognizant of the necessities of their respective fields and best fitted to plan the work of their mission

No late news from Mynpurie, but our Bible women are still working faithfully under Mrs. Alexander's direction, and Grace Reid, a pupil who has been long cared for and prayed for by one of our Societies, is now a trusted and efficient teacher in the school where she has been a pupil. Another pupil, Sundari, who had married and lost her husband, being released from slavery to his family, has returned to Mynpurie, made a public profession of her faith in Christ, and is preparing for work among the women of the villages.

The two young ladies who went out from us in 1881, MISS MARGARET M. GIVEN and MISS CARRIE DOWNS, remain at Rawal Pindi, the northernmost station in India, occupied by our Assembly's Board.

They have been obliged to study both Hindostani and Punjabi, and much of their strength has thus far been expended on those languages, and to good purpose, as their examinations testify.

A new school has been opened, making five under their care, in which the children of Sikhs, Hindus and Mohammedans are gathered.

The children are bright and interesting, and learn readily. They are repulsively dirty, though loaded with ornaments, two characteristics of a degraded womanhood.

Emily Patterson and Jane Abdullah (native teachers) are still employed in teaching. Two Bible women find constant employment, and the zenanas are open to any who will enter and teach the inmates. Both Miss Given and Miss Downs have written of their great satisfaction in being present at the annual meeting of the Lodiana Mission at Jullander. There they met the new and newly returned missionaries, who refreshed and gladdened them, and they were aided and stimulated by the experience and counsel of those who had been longer in the work.

They also enjoyed the privilege of attending at Lodiana the first conference ever held by the missionary ladies of the Punjab. This conference was a meeting of all denominations, for

mutual help and encouragement, and being composed entirely of women, must be an indication of progress in the uplifting of woman in India.

Immediately following this interesting and important gathering was the great Decennial Conference at Calcutta, which a few of our ladies were privileged to attend, a gathering of twenty-four societies, including nearly every shade of religious belief, and where grave and important questions were discussed concerning the interest of Christ's kingdom in India.

MISS LIZZIE M. PENDLETON, who went out from this board in September, arrived in India just in time for the meetings at Jullander and at Lodiana, of which she has given us an account, expressing her gratification in having such a privilege. Miss Pendleton's work is in the Dehra boarding school, well known to our societies through Miss Pratt, who gave some of the best years of her life to it, and also by our fifteen scholarships sustained there. Girls of all ages, even infants, are received, and given a thorough school and home training, many of them having no other home. We continue to receive good accounts of our scholarships, and letters from the pupils to their supporters in this country testify to their progress.

The Mission having decided that a lady principal could now take charge of the school, Miss Pendleton was commissioned by the Board to take this position as soon as she is qualified by familiarity with the language and the work.

It is scarcely possible to attach too much importance to the value of the schools carried on by missionaries in heathen countries, for in the children is our hope for the evangelization of the world.

That great apostle to India, Alexander Duff, said that, "if in India you only impart ordinary, useful knowledge, you thereby demolish what by its people is regarded as sacred; all education being there regarded as religious or theological."

#### CHINA

has ten ladies connected with this Board, at five different stations. Four of these ten have been added within the year past. We have suffered the loss of one, Miss Ida Tiffany, by

her marriage to one of our Baptist brethren. We are sure that our loss is rich gain to them, and in that is our consolation.

We have also a Bible woman, three schools and about forty scholarships.

Mrs. J. M. W. FARNHAM, who went to Shanghai with her husband in 1860, remains at her post, with heavy responsibilities laid upon her, in the absence of her husband, who is in this country seeking health. Their daughter, Miss LIZZIE FARNHAM, who has been in the home land for education, a part of the time at Miss Peabody's seminary, returned to Shanghai as our missionary, just before her father sailed for America, most opportunely arriving to assist and comfort the lonely mother.

Mrs. F. has charge of eighteen day schools besides the girls' boarding school, which is under her immediate and unceasing care.

This school shows steady improvement, in greater diligence and better recitations. There are now twenty-seven pupils, five having united with the church during the year, and four having been married. The Sabbath school of Mr. and Mrs. Farnham is the largest in China, numbering 350 children, and is divided into classes, which are taught the International Lessons by native teachers.

Miss Farnham's Chinese friends were delighted to find, on her return, that she had not forgotten their language.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. HOLT returned to Shanghai from this country, the former to resume his responsible position on the press, and the latter to her no less responsible duties as wife, mother and hostess. Their hospitable doors were open even before their goods could be unpacked. How wide-spread and beneficent must be the influence of such a home in a heathen land. Mrs. Holt, with her many cares, finds time to look after a school of little children. During Mr. Holt's absence in America, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Fitch took their places in Shanghai. Upon returning to Soochow, the field of their former faithful service, Mrs. Fitch found our two schools had suffered some changes during her absence, the boarding pupils having been taken into the care of the Methodists, while the

day school, under a native teacher, had survived her absence of two years, and comes out with twelve scholars. Measures are in operation to increase this number. The organ given by the Fremont Society proves more attractive than a bell would, in calling together the Sabbath School which Mrs. Fitch superintends.

Mrs. HUNTER CORBETT and Miss JENNIE ANDERSON still represent our work in Cheefoo, in North China, where we have quite recently adopted into our loving care and sympathy Mrs. J. A. LEYENBERGER, in whose care our pupils have been during the past year.

Let us glance a moment at Mrs. Corbett's busy life, as we sketch the outlines: A housekeeper, with three children under four years of age; Mr. Corbett away on itinerating tours most of the time; a boys' school supervised, eighteen of whom have been ill with fever during the year; three meetings held weekly with the women, and one on the Sabbath, after service, to explain the sermon and talk with any who come to hear the truth; Wednesday afternoon she meets church members to catechise them and hear them read the New Testament; ten usually come, all old women, and they are a very interesting class; Friday morning she has a class of women to whom she gives oral instructions in hygeia — taking care of the sick and of children. They take a deep interest in these lessons.

"The giving out of medicines is the most continuous part of my work, for the poor natives come at all hours and on all days. Sometimes half the women at Sabbath service come for medicine, either for themselves or family." We marvel that one woman is equal to all this.

Miss ANDERSON thinks she has very little to report, owing to the sameness of her work, yet she writes of having visited over 600 villages, and finds it profitable to spend more time in teaching the women than she formerly has done. She writes of new work, of considerable importance, in one district which she visited during the autumn. Many women came to be taught, and there was much apparent interest in listening to the simple truth. More women of intelligence have come to hear her

teachings. She writes of a leader of a band of women, who went daily to the temple to burn incense, coming to be taught. She asked Miss A. if she should give up the leadership, who said, "No; still continue their leader, but lead them to the true worship!" She tells of a patriarchal family of about thirty members, the head an old man of eighty, and a church member. "This village had never been visited by a foreign woman, and my coming quite embarrassed the family. They considered some extra ceremony due a woman, but what, they did not know. School was dismissed that I might have the room, but so many came, I was obliged to go into the yard.

"I asked the women if they ever attended the Sabbath service in the school room; they said, 'oh, no, they could not go in, that would not be proper, they had stood at the window and listened, but could not understand much.' The old man informed me that the women could not learn, and that we find the prevailing opinion in the country."

The Mission has asked for two ladies to be sent to Chefoo, to meet the demands for more labor. The little knot of pupils kept together by Mrs. Leyenberger is the nucleus of the school which is to be organized, and in which the new workers will be associated with her. Mrs. L. suggests that an organ—not necessarily an expensive one—would be appreciated in the church at Chefoo.

At Ningpo, our missionary, Mrs. W. J. McKee, has charge of the school, in which some of our auxiliaries support twelve scholarships, of which she has written in detail a report which would be of interest had we space to give it, and the same is true of others.

The circumstances surrounding many of the girls collected in these schools excites the deepest sympathy and a strong desire to see the spread of the gospel which will redeem them from the hideous slavery into which they are sold, or the equally repugnant marriages into which they are forced by the greed or necessities of their parents. Early marriages are so common that it is difficult to keep the girls long in school, unless the parents are christians. The number of pupils enrolled is

thirty-one; of these five have united with the church during the year, three of them having been baptized when infants. One, who has pursued a long course of study, standing well in scholarship and as a member of the church, has been married to a young man, also a christian, and they are living in a village, a few miles from Ningpo. One pupil, a girl of 17, who has been in the school six years, is the first whom death has claimed among them for many years. Her long and painful illness was borne with a cheerful patience, and ready obedience in the use of remedies, that gave fresh evidence of her dependence upon Christ. Mrs. McKee writes, "she had no fear of death, and asked us to pray God to take her, often saying with joyful anticipation, 'there will be no pain in Heaven.' She seemed to catch glimpses of the golden gates at the last, for she frequently, gazing upward, exclaimed, "oh, beautiful, beautiful!"

Our work in charge of Miss Noyes in Canton is full of interest. The two day-schools belonging to our Board are very successful. It has been thought best to remove one of them to a distant quarter of the city, and the transfer was attended with none of the usual annoyances of opening a school in a new district. The room in a short time was filled with children, eager to learn. Miss N. holds weekly meetings for mothers in the school rooms at which fifty or sixty are often present. One woman of 82 comes a long distance, and is always present, rain or shine, and gives evidence of being an earnest christian. One school room proving too small for these meetings, an adjoining room was rented, and now two services are held at the same hour. Our Bible woman, Po Chang is in active service, and another has been engaged to labor in the vicinity of the schools. The training school for teachers is another branch of Miss N.'s efficient work. In this school of 110 pupils we have twelve girls in different stages of preparation. It is ten years since this school was opened, and eighty-six have been received into the Church, while forty-two have been employed as helpers at various stations, and thirteen have been received into the Church within the year. Such schools form no small factor in the evangelization of China. The famous hospital of Dr. Kerr, near

this school, furnishes a wonderful opportunity for the pupils to do christian service. Six women from the school visit regularly, by turns, in the hospital. One of our pupils is pursuing a medical course, and another seriously considers entering upon the same. The seed sown in this hospital service is widely scattered, as many of the patients come from long distances in the interior, and all receive some religious instruction.

One pupil, A. Chin, has married and gone 300 miles into the interior to live, where we believe her influence will help in spreading the truth. Teachers and pupils in these schools are gradually coming to the determination to *unbind* their feet. This cruel practice has a strong hold upon them, because of its respectability, and requires great courage to renounce it, but the leaven is working, and there is no doubt that many mothers will rejoice in a release from the bondage of a custom which inflicts much pain and misery upon their little girls.

Mrs. ROBERT MATEER is at Tungchow, about fifty-five miles north west of Cheefoo, in the vast province of Shantung, preparing by study of the language to enter upon work with her husband at a new station in Weh Hein, a city of about 100,000 inhabitants, in the interior. Tungchow appears to be an educational center, both of the Chinese and of our Assembly's Board.

No report has reached us of our one scholarship in Rev. D. C. McCoy's school in Peking, but we take encouragement from former accounts of his well doing.

REV. J. N. HAYES, who recently went to China, is stationed at Tungchow, and Mrs. Hayes belongs to this Board. Until quite recently Mrs. T. C. WINN, at Kanazawa, has been the only missionary of this Board in all

#### JAPAN.

But there, in that wonderful land, whose peoples, formerly shut in from other nations, are now eagerly looking out for something better than their old religions gave them, we women of the west have the joy of adding two more, to the names of those who are giving their lives to tell the glad news of a Saviour's love to listening ears. These are MISS MARY K. HESSER



and MISS ANN ELIZA GARVIN, who went out in the autumn. The hand of the Lord had been heavily laid upon Mr. and Mrs. Winn in the long illness and final removal of their little boy, yet so lovingly, that through her tears she could say, it is well with the child, and well for those who remain. The little sufferer is laid away until the resurrection morn, when from the Sunrise Kingdom, the redeemed shall come forth to join the hosts of the Lord from the whole earth. With none but natives about them, Mr. Winn performed the funeral rites for their little one, and as soon after as they were able, with an infant of a few weeks, went to Osaka for change and rest. There, almost immediately, Mr. Winn was prostrated by fever, from which, after many weeks of suffering, he finally rallied until restored to a good measure of health.

They returned to Kanazawa this spring to resume their work in the expectation of soon opening a school, and also that we will send more workers to cheer and help them.

The Misses Hesser and Garvin were cordially welcomed to the temporary home of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Winn in Osaka, where they have been teaching two bright, intelligent girls, while themselves at work on the language, fully realizing the imperative need of a command of the vernacular if they would do effective work with the natives.

From Mrs. True, at Tokio, we learn of the faithful service of our noble Bible worker, Deguchi San. She has been made happy of late by the conversion of an aged uncle, who has been the subject of her prayers for many years. His great sorrow is that he did not sooner accept Christ as his Saviour. Our eight scholarships in Tokio have not been reported.

We rejoice in the first fruits of medical mission work in connection with this Board. Our first medical missionary, DR. SARAH K. CUMMINGS is under appointment for Japan. We look upon her entrance into this truly Christlike work as the harbinger of a new and ever widening sphere of usefulness for woman, and confidently expect her to be the leader of a long line of young ladies who shall go out from us thoroughly equipped to minister to the healing of the bodies as well as of

the souls of our degraded and neglected sisters in all lands.

### SIAM,

far to the southwest of Japan, is most distant from us of any country to which our missionaries have gone, and perhaps as little known.

In the boarding school at Bangkok, under the care of MISS MARY E. HARTWELL and MISS LAURA A. OLNSTEAD, we have thirteen scholarships, besides others in training for teaching, one of these now a Christian. One of these pupils is a slave, having been sold by her father to a relative for a small sum, another is the daughter of a native preacher.

The Siamese and English languages are used in the classes, and one or two hours a day are given to teaching embroidery, crocheting, etc. Miss Hartwell reports: "As to the success of this department, I would refer you to the fact that the exhibits at the Centennial from the girls' boarding school in Bangkok won the admiration of his Majesty, the King, who expressed the same in emphatic terms to the teachers personally, and afterwards proved the sincerity of his words by purchasing the entire collection. His Majesty further attested his approval of the cause of female education in Siam by awarding to each of the associate principals a souvenir medal of the first centennial of Bangkok, which will ever be a pleasant reminder of their Majesties' Chum-La-Long-Korn and Soamdet-Pra-Nang."

The Sunday services, Sabbath schools, the prayer meetings, and the daily devotions and religious teaching, and especially the Sunday night prayer meeting, are all helps in arousing conscience and impressing truth upon the minds of the girls.

Miss Olmstead's medical services have been in requisition many times during the year, and with uniform success.

Since the beloved MARY CAMPBELL passed on to the "Better Land," Edna Cole has had no companion in her home, and that home in an almost inaccessible country, far up the Meinam river. But this spring she is rejoicing in the arrival of four young ladies, three of whom went out from this Board. These are Miss FLORENCE WISHARD, Miss ANTOINETTE WARNER and

Miss SARAH C. WIRT, who sailed with a large party of missionaries from San Francisco in October, reaching Canton early in November, where they were unable to find steamer accommodations for the whole party, which consequently separated, part reaching Bangkok in November, two or three weeks earlier than the remainder. Great was the rejoicing on the arrival of these young ladies, and though Miss Hartwell and Miss Olmstead would gladly have detained them, for the abundant work in their hands, yet they cheerfully did what they could to "speed the parting guests" for their two months journey up the devious 'Meinam river to Chieng Mai, where Edna Cole watched for their coming as one longs for the day.

While our young ladies were in Bangkok an audience was accorded to all the foreign missionaries by the King of Siam, who received them with marked attention, and was pleased to express his satisfaction with their presence and their influence in the country, and assured them of his intention to continue toleration of religious freedom to his subjects, in imitation of his father's government.

Mrs. Wilson, the wife of Rev. Jonathan Wilson, still waits in Oxford, Ohio, for the health which will enable her to join her husband in their home in Chieng Mai, where, uncheered by the presence of wife and little ones, he toils for the souls of the Laos. We need not indicate the lessons all may learn from the lives of these two servants of the Master.

What is the outlook for the coming year? Let us briefly recapitulate the calls that meet us right on its threshold:

Three ladies whose support has just been assumed; one medical missionary, with one more lady asked for from Japan, three for China, four for India, two for Mexico, and two for Syria, with the three recently assumed, making fifteen, in addition to the fifty-one missionaries already on our list.

We also need funds for a building in Osaka, Japan, and to complete the school building in Tabriz, Persia, besides for schools, and other objects.

This, means more abundant giving into the treasury of the

Lord, more consecration, more of the vitalizing power of prayer from the women engaged in this cause.

We scarcely need to ask, "Watchman, what of the night?" for the watchers at their outposts tell us without the asking, that the night is breaking; the morning star is rising over the mountain tops; the light of the gospel is rapidly dissipating the gloom of sin and death.

Are we women of this privileged land awake to our responsibilities, to our duties, to our privileges?

Exalted as are the women of no other land, does our position require from *us* no recognition? Shall we simply accept it like the man with the one talent, and selfishly and supinely fold our hands and enjoy our blessings without a thought of what the Lord means by these gifts?

"Who hath made us to differ" from those women of whose terrible lives we cannot even read without a shudder?

And can any Christian woman knowing these things and remembering the early visit of Mary Magdalen to the tomb, which secured to her penitent, loving soul, the transcendent joy of seeing her risen Lord, and hearing from his own lips that blessed commission: "Go Tell" and not be stirred to ready, active service for His sake?

The *present* is all that is ours, we must do quickly the work our hands find to do, for very soon they will be folded in the last stillness. Each one can do something in this wide field, and they who cannot go, can stay, and minister in gifts and sympathy, and prayer with her who goes; can stir up some other soul, or train a child, or a Sabbath school class, to enter upon the work soon to drop from the hands now busied with it.

But, though the laborers fall by the way, the work is of no uncertain issue, for God himself has declared through the lips of his servant, that every knee shall bow, and every tongue confess His name: yea, all kings shall fall down before Him, all nations shall serve Him.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### RECEIPTS, BY PRESBYTERIES.

Presbytery of Kalamazoo .....		\$873 65
“ Detroit .....		4 850 14
“ Grand Rapids .....		351 65
“ Lansing .....		223 73
“ Monroe .....		579 60
“ Saginaw .....		674 00
	Total from State of Michigan .....	\$7,552 77
Presbytery of Dayton (Oxford Seminary) .....		454 23
“ Maumee .....		692 26
“ Bellefontaine .....		933 47
“ Huron .....		532 08
“ Lima .....		502 88
“ Zanesville .....		55 86
	Total from State of Ohio ..	3,170 78
Presbytery of Crawfordsville .....		1,045 13
“ Fort Wayne .....		1,034 20
“ Logansport .....		1,034 99
“ Muncie .....		352 34
“ Indianapolis .....		1,961 96
“ New Albany .....		1,431 65
“ Vincennes .....		524 03
“ Whitewater .....		1,012 44
	Total from State of Indiana .....	8,396 74
Presbytery of Chippewa .....		127 10
“ Lake Superior .....		391 72
“ Milwaukee .....		965 47
“ Winnebago .....		273 45
“ Wisconsin River .....		329 17
	Total from State of Wisconsin .....	2,086 91

Presbytery of Alton .....	769 68	
“ Cairo .....	432 20	
“ Mattoon .....	414 92	
“ Bloomington .....	1,635 07	
“ Peoria .....	2,122 69	
“ Schuyler .....	3,334 87	
“ Springfield .....	1,076 02	
“ Chicago .....	10,834 61	
“ Freeport .....	1,446 06	
“ Ottawa .....	419 49	
“ Rock River .....	585 31	
Total from State of Illinois.....		24,070 92
Presbytery of Saint Paul .....	1,748 21	
“ Mankato.....	235 03	
“ Red River .....	133 62	
“ Winona.....	240 70	
“ Grand Forks.....	40 00	
“ South Dakota .....	32 20	
Total from State of Minn. and D. T. ....	2,429 76	
Presbytery of Cedar Rapids .....	1,220 52	
“ Waterloo .....	269 35	
“ Fort Dodge.....	285 49	
“ Dubuque .....	359 22	
“ Council Bluffs.....	400 82	
“ Des Moines.....	562 40	
“ Iowa .....	1,100 19	
“ Iowa City.....	250 74	
Total from State of Iowa.....		4,448 73
Presbytery of Hastings.....	150 55	
“ Kearney .....	66 95	
“ Nebraska City.....	517 93	
“ Omaha .....	342 60	
Total from State of Nebraska.....		1,078 03
Presbytery of Denver .....	761 12	
“ Pueblo .....	405 54	
Total from State of Colorado.....		1,166 66

Kansas Miscellaneous.....	82 30	
Presbytery of Emporia.....	816 82	
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Total from State of Kansas.....		899 12
Total from Territory of Utah.....		11 60
Total from State of Oregon.....		32 50
Sale of Memorial of Miss Campbell.....		304 50
Miscellaneous.....		900 18
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Total Receipts.....		55,049 20
Cash on hand April 20th, 1882.....		809 17
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Total.....		55,858 37

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Printing of Annual Report, leaflets, cards, circulars, mte-boxes.....	1,012 67	
Less sales of the same.....	314 59	698 08
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Salary of two assistants.....		1,125 00
Office expenses, postage, stationery, janitor, express charges.....		318 86
Traveling expenses of missionaries and others in extending our work.....		191 25
Organizing Societies.....		135 00
Expense on legacy.....		19 75
O. D. Eaton, Treas. Mrs. M. E. Boyd, Treas. (Home Missions), Scotia Seminary.....		1,225 87
Wm. Rankin, Treas. Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church.....		50,568 96
Directly to missionaries, for objects not in their esti- mates.....		1,328 25
Education of medical missionary.....		244 00
Presbyterial expenses, retained.....		8 35
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Total.....		\$55,858 37

CHICAGO, May 16, 1883.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of Mrs. H. M. Humphrey, Treasurer of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions for the Northwest, for the year 1882-83, and find the same, with receipts and vouchers, correct.

H. M. SHERWOOD, Auditor.

# REPORTS OF PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETIES.

## COLORADO.

NAME OF SOCIETY AND BANDS.	No. of Members	Wom. W'k Taken.	Child. W'k Taken.	Amount Contributed.	NAME OF SECRETARY.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF DENVER.</b>					
Mrs. D. E. Finks, 252 S. 10th, Denver, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. J. Q. Adams, Boulder, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. J. A. Lowrie, Box 1843, Denver, Pres. Treas.					
Denver Central Church.....	35			\$294 00	Mrs. J. W. Horner.
Cheerful Givers and Apple Blossoms .....	25			100 00	Anna Blake.
Young Ladies' M. B.....	32			10 00	Mrs. E. S. Hays, Pres't.
Capitol Ave. Church.....	28	5	2	81 10	Mrs. A. W. Hills.
Westminster Church.....	9			10 00	Mrs. C. E. Cleave
Willing Workers .....					
Highland Church.....	10			7 00	Mrs. Jonas Washburn.
Georgetown .....	26				Mrs. Albert E. Chase.
Ft. Collins.....	34	10	1	35 10	Miss N. Lunn.
Longmont .....	29	6	1	20 15	Miss Alice Dobbins.
Laramie, Wy. Ter. ....	32			24 75	Mrs. Stephen Boyd.
Boulder.....	29	1	1	42 60	Mrs. H. B. Rosenkranz.
Young Ladies Assoc'n....	17			35 10	Miss Jessie Reid.
Greeley .....	13			11 25	Mrs. J. R. Thompson.
Willing Workers .....					
Golden—No Report. ....					
Leadville .....	23			50 00	Miss Alice Walsh.
Willing Workers .....					Miss Nellie Coleman.
Table Rock.....					Miss Maggie Hill.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF PUEBLO.</b>					
Colorado Springs.....	23			271 42	Mrs. M. J. Kennedy.
Pueblo.....	21	9	3	45 85	Mrs. A. M. Davidson.



## ILLINOIS.

MRS. H. T. HELM, Chicago, Synodical President.

MRS. A. C. KNOWLTON, Chicago,

MRS. ALICE MCELROY GRIFFITH, Springfield, } Synodical Secretaries.

MRS. S. L. SIBLEY, Pana.

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<b>PRESBYTERY OF ALTON.</b>					
Mrs. C. H. Taylor, Alton, Pres Pres't; Mrs. W. C. Quigley, Alton, Pres. Sec.; Mrs. J. C. Burrus, Carrollton, Pres. Treas.					
Chester.....	8			\$10 00	Mrs. Ellen Ray.
Helm Band.....				18 00	Frank Ives.
Carlyle.....	17	1		38 95	Miss Addie Illsley.
Apple Blossoms.....				6 00	Miss Addie Illsley.
Litchfield.....	30	3		10 00	Miss Mary Wallace.
Sabbath School.....			5	10 81	Miss Mary Wallace.
Cottonwood Grove, Bethel Ch.	18			18 75	Mrs. E. J. Rosebrough.
Jerseyville.....	18	5		49 25	Mrs. Mary M. Holmea.
Apple Blossoms.....	23		3	35 96	Miss Nellie Wychoff.
Sabbath School.....					
Plainview.....	13			15 00	Mrs. A. C. Gulick.
Juvenile Band.....					
Troy.....	35			32 00	Mrs. A. E. Sabin.
Rockwood.....	19	5		40 00	Miss Mattie Jeffrey.
Greenville.....		8		30 00	Mrs. L. Hubbard.
Alton.....	21	4	1	46 00	Mrs. P. B. Whipple.
Young Ladies Society.....	10			30 00	Miss K. Armstrong.
Sunday School.....				33 03	Mr. Samuel McClure.
Trenton.....	18	5	5	30 00	Miss M. Moffatt.
Cheerful Workers.....				15 00	Miss Mollie Strohm.
Hillsboro.....	25	5	1	28 25	Mrs. C. E. Yingst.
Walnut Grove Ch. (Carrollton)	13	6		10 00	Miss Jennie Ryan.
Carrollton.....	15	7		57 00	Miss Amelia Ferrine.
Mission Band.....					
White Hall.....	17				Mrs. O. J. Husted.
Waveland Ch. (Hillsboro)...	10			11 00	Miss M. J. Clotfelter.
Sparta.....				54 00	Mrs. N. A. Hood.
Shipman.....				6 70	Mrs. Eli Taylor.
Collinsville.....				4 90	Miss Lilian Peers.

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Carlville .....				\$34 00	Mrs. M. B. Noyes.
Young Ladies Society.....				10 00	Miss Blackburn.
Woodburn .....				14 00	Miss Anna Gabriel.
Edwardsville.....				8 00	Mrs. E. B. Greenwood.
Mission Band .....				8 00	Miss Annie Kern.
Greenfield.....				10 00	Mrs. I. R. Ostrom.
Virden.....				65 50	Mrs. R. L. Gelder.
Sugar Creek.....				2 40	
Brighton.....				13 00	Miss Lenora Clark.
Willing Workers.....				2 00	Miss Tillie Reinigh.
Belleville.....					Mrs. O. S. Thompson.
East St. Louis.....					Miss Mattie Reynolds.
Diamond Cross, Pleas. Ridge Ch.....					Miss Mollie Bean.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF BLOOM'GTON.</b>					
Mrs. Dr. Marsh, Bloomington, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. H. H. Conover, Lexington, Sec. and Treas.					
Bement .....	27	10	1	96 53	Miss. S. B. Scott.
Sunbeams .....	61		10	41 11	Miss Mabel Tenney.
Buckley .....	20	3	5	60 00	Mrs. M. M. Harishorn.
S. School organized .....					
Bloomington 1st Church.....	23				Miss Adda Weitz.
" 2d Church.....	59	18		326 04	Mrs. N. J. Winchester.
2d Church Y. P. M. Band.....	37			68 90	Miss Cora E. Evans.
" Little Lights.....	72		1	8 25	Miss Imogene Evans.
" Little Candles.....				8 75	Miss Frances Kerr.
Champaign.....	56	13		224 53	Mrs. J. B. McKinley.
Infant Class.....				20 00	Mrs. Avery.
Cnenoa.....	30	7		34 00	Mrs. G. J. Ferguson.
Young Ladies Band.....	19			26 00	Miss Ada Maxwell.
Clinton.....	17			60 00	Mrs. M. A. Edmiston.
Danville.....	47			100 00	Mrs. T. S. Parks.
Mission Circle.....				19 25	Miss Vinette Dagne.
El Paso.....	17	3		25 00	Mrs. M. J. Polhemus.
Gibson City.....	19	3		33 27	Mrs. Clara Husted.
Dwight.....	12	3	3	20 00	Miss M. Bradford.
Gilman.....	35	10	44	68 45	Mrs. Joseph Armstrong.
Heyworth.....	5	1			Mrs. A. K. Dill.
Lexington.....	16	9		56 80	Miss Anna C. Poor.
Sabbath School.....			26	20 00	R. Conover.

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Minonk.....	12	2	...	\$10 00	Mrs. H. O. Hedge.
S. School Mission Band...	90	...	...	34 65	Miss Ella Ricketts.
Mackinaw.....	14	4	...	19 00	Miss Lizzie Carson.
Monticello.....	15	...	...	8 20	Mrs. S. H. Hubbell.
S. School.....	...	...	...	10 87	Miss Lillian McKinney.
Normal.....	10	...	...	8 00	Miss Julia A. Brown.
Onarga.....	21	7	5	77 77	Mrs. P. Risser.
Pierson Band.....	20	...	...	5 05	Mrs. Lizzie Parmalee
Pontiac.....	18	13	...	36 00	Mrs. H. N. Fursman.
Piper City.....	15	4	22	27 00	Mrs. Geo. Campbell.
Rossville.....	16	5	...	30 00	Miss Anna Gernand.
S. School.....	...	...	10	...	...
Towanda.....	16	...	...	18 00	Mrs. M. A. Wise.
Tolono.....	10	1	7	25 00	Mrs. Maggie S. Bower.
Waynesville.....	...	...	...	4 00	Miss Lucy Davenport.
Philo.....	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Milton Moore.
Farmer City.....	...	...	...	...	Mrs. W. G. Cochran.
Thank offering.....	...	...	...	131 00	...
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>1761 42</b>	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF CAIRO.</b>					
Mrs. Crozer Olney, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. Sarah P. Orr, Carmi, Pres. Sec.; Mrs. John M. Crebs, Carmi, Pres. Treas.					
Du Quoin.....	10	3	10	18 75	Mrs. H. F. Blakeslee.
Mission Band, Pearl Divers	10	...	...	23 75	Miss Ella Wall.
Cairo.....	...	...	...	12 00	Mrs. A. G. George.
Carbondale.....	25	1	...	30 00	Mrs. Ellen J. Lawrence.
Band of Helpers.....	...	...	...	20 00	...
Carmi.....	20	1	7	30 00	Mrs. C. E. McDowell.
Mission Band.....	...	...	...	40 90	Miss Alice Berry.
Cobden.....	29	1	1	10 00	Mrs. I. A. Linnell.
Bridgeport.....	26	3	...	12 00	Miss Lillie Maxwell.
Special Gift.....	...	...	...	30 00	...
Grand Tower.....	16	4	...	25 00	Mrs. Maggie Free.
Centralia.....	23	2	...	24 70	Mrs. J. K. Rahm.
Morning Stars.....	20	1	2	25 00	Miss Eunice Cogswell.
Salem.....	7	2	1	8 00	Mrs. J. B. M. Patterson.

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Tamaroa .....	10	6	5	20 00	Mrs. E. R. Roots.
Sunday School.....				5 00	
Olney.....	32	3	3	45 00	Mrs. M. E. Horner.
Walnut Hill (Rockwood)....	13	4		14 00	Mrs. Lou Spilman.
Richland Church (Calhoun)...	40	3		26 00	Miss M. L. Ralston.
Flora, new .....					Mrs. L. B. Parsons.
Golconda " .....					Mrs. H. Clanahan.
Nashville " .....					Mrs. Joseph Marlan.
Ashley " .....					
McLeansboro, new.....					Miss Nora Gates.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF CHICAGO.</b>					
Mrs. E. S. Williams, Chicago.					
Pres. Pres't; Mrs. L. R					
Hall, 361 Washington Bou					
levard, Chicago, Pres. Cor					
Sec.; Mrs. W. B. Jacobs.					
49 Bryant Avenue, Chica					
go, Pres. Rec. Sec.; Mrs					
W. H. Swift, Room 31, Port					
land Block, Chicago, Pres.					
Treasurer.					
Chicago, 1st Church .....	125			1066 00	Mrs. Elisha Whitehead.
Young Ladies.....	35			525 00	Miss Lydia Green.
Crown Jewels.....				25 00	Mrs. Munger.
2d Church.....	100	20	10	900 00	Mrs. Wm. M. Baker.
Young Ladies.....	25				Miss Belle Gray.
3d Church .....	240			1300 87	Mrs. J. P. Mills.
Seed Sowers.....	20			25 00	Miss Bessie Fuller.
S. S. Miss. Soc.....	800			200 00	Mervin Johnston.
4th Church .....	90			1032 55	Miss Skinner.
Mothers' Mite Soc.....	34			50 45	Mrs. Annie Wetzl.
Pioneers S. S. ....	300	300		291 59	Miss M. Cunningham.
Young Ladies.....	18			77 60	Miss Fredrika Skinner.
Howe St. Mis. Bible Class.				15 00	
5th Church.....	47	10		232 18	Mrs. M. J. Wilson.
S. S. Mis. Soc.....			7	45 00	
6th Church .....	54			150 85	Mrs. M. R. Woods.
Young Ladies' M. S. ....	8			26 62	Miss Flora J. Roberts.
Mission Band .....	34			48 65	Miss Lillie Helmer.
S. S. Miss. Soc.....	559	150		150 00	Miss Wilma Jacobs.
Jefferson Park Church .....	51			177 80	Miss Sarah W. Hanna.
Sunday School.....	200			105 00	

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Fullerton Avenue.....	36			92 21	Mrs. W. A. Coit.
Eighth Church.....	35	13		161 50	Mrs. S. H. Willard.
Armor Bearers S. S.....	400	10	10	90 07	Frank Cleveland.
Forty-First St. Church.....	33			60 00	Mrs. M. M. Hayes.
Sabbath School.....					
Reunion Church.....	16	3		25 00	Mrs. E. C. Smith.
Westminster Ch., Y. Peo. Soc.	22	1		65 00	Mr. Alfred C. Harper.
Campbell Park Ch.....				6 15	Mrs. H. P. Bigelow.
Austin.....	19			10 00	Mrs. Frank Page.
Cheerful Workers' Band.....				14 53	Miss Emma T. Cox.
S. S. Miss. Soc.....				13 31	
Elwood.....	21			10 00	Miss Emma Wood.
Englewood.....	68	6	8	154 13	Mrs. D. W. Thompson.
Sunday School.....				50 00	
Bible Class.....				50 00	
Evanston.....	84	11		355 00	Mrs. L. Lattimore.
Sunday School Soc.....				80 00	J. W. Howell.
Children's Band.....				26 00	Miss Nellie Adams.
Young Ladies' Soc.....				158 00	Miss Kate Quinlan.
Highland Park.....	19	2		80 00	Mrs. Dr. Sweetland.
"Do What We Can".....				20 00	Mrs. S. R. Bingham.
Young Peoples'.....	22	6		50 00	Miss Ada Lauder.
Hyde Park 1st Ch.....	37		100	712 38	Mrs. Walter Nelson.
Bible Sch. Miss. Band.....				46 41	Miss Bessie Stewart.
Girls' Miss. Soc.....				7 60	Miss L. Glazer.
Homewood.....	14	1		16 00	Mrs. A. R. Taft.
Joliet 1st Ch.....	20	7		66 68	Mrs. H. N. Marsh.
Young Peoples' Soc.....	72	1	17	42 00	Mr. Augustus Matteson.
Central Ch.....	35			65 25	Miss Alice S. Barber.
Sabbath School Soc.....	200			19 20	
Kankakee 1st Ch.....	16	10		55 85	Miss Annie H. Aldrich.
Lake Forest.....	29	18	20	936 10	Mrs. S. S. Reid.
Young Peoples' Soc.....				181 20	Miss Mamie Stanley.
Steady Streams.....				169 00	Miss Nellie Holt.
Ferry Hall.....				131 00	Miss Grace Godfrey.
Manteno.....	15	2		20 50	Mrs. E. W. Hume.
Monee, Will Ch.....				35 83	Miss Maggie Maxwell.
Peotone.....	18		1	55 85	Mrs. H. Warden.
Sabbath School.....				9 30	Mrs. R. B. Carr.
East Wheatland, DuPage Ch	35	4		50 00	Miss Aggie Patters n.
Riverside.....	14	1	1	80 00	Mrs. Carol Gaytes.
Sunday School.....					
Waukegan.....	40			106 00	Mrs. W. H. Ray.
Young Ladies.....	14			60 00	Miss Tillie Friedrichs.

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Wilmington.....	26	7	8	39 29	Mrs. A. D. Wright.
Wheeling German Church..	22	...	...	28 29	Mrs. T. Freitsch.
Arlington Heights.....	20	...	...	23 95	Mrs. D. K. Draper.
Mission Band.....	100	...	...	25 87	Miss Clara Cooley.
Total.....	4242	133	642	10949.79	
Home Missions.....				361 00	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF FREEPORT.</b>					
Mrs. Henry Freeman, Box 1303, Rockford, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. Walter Ar- nold, East State st., Rock ford, Pres. Sec.; Mrs. E. S Herrick, 301 S. Second st. Rockford, Pres. Treas.....					
Belvidere.....	45	6	...	75 00	Mrs. M. M. Rutger.
Mission Band.....	20	...	...	86 62	Miss Alice Terwilliger.
Argyle, Willow Creek Ch....	55	15	5	150 51	Mrs. D. Andrew.
Freeport, First Church.....	62	10	...	200 00	Mrs. W. P. Malburn.
Second Church.....	8	5	...	16 10	Miss E. A. Hyde.
Young Ladies' Society.....	...	...	...	...	Miss Ida B. Galloway.
Galena, First Church.....	14	3	...	20 00	Miss P. R. Corwith.
Young Ladies Mis. Circle..	16	...	...	37 00	Miss Sue E. Wonderley.
South Church.....	20	...	...	25 00	Mrs. W. H. Stahl.
Hanover.....	30	...	...	12 00	Mrs. Jno. L. Phillips.
Circle.....	20	...	...	...	Miss Lettie Gilmore.
Band.....	...	...	...	...	Miss Pet. Bennett.
Harvard.....	11	2	1	27 00	Mrs. J. M. Linn.
Lena.....	12	4	...	37 47	Mrs. S. Rising.
Marengo.....	27	5	...	95 00	Miss Maggie Otis.
Middle Creek (Fountaindale).	25	...	...	251 39	Sellie G. Meredith.
Oregon.....	25	5	...	66 50	Mrs. A. S. Hoyt.
Ridgelyfield.....	16	2	5	20 00	Mrs. Harback.
Willing Workers.....	...	...	5	9 64	Mary Lockwood.
Rockford, First Church.....	60	7	32	75 00	Miss Jennie McKee.
Nimble Gleaners.....	...	...	...	...	
Westminster Church.....	60	...	...	100 00	Mrs. M. Holmes.
Young Ladies' Mis. Soc.	25	6	...	25 00	Miss M. Jennie Birdsall.
Earnest Workers.....	40	...	4	25 00	Miss Anna Stewart.
Winnebago.....	30	5	2	95 00	Mrs. M. B. Goddard.
Mission Band.....	33	...	10	34 10	Miss Nellie Smith.
Woodstock.....	...	3	...	20 00	Mrs. S. Tripp.

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Woodstock S. S.					Miss Mattie Flower.
Elizabeth				\$10 00	
Mt. Carroll					Miss Henrietta Mackey.
Warren				21 00	Mrs. J. Fraser.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF MATTOON.</b>					
Mrs. F. A. Crocker, Taylorville, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. M. M. Provine, Taylorville, Pres. Sec.; Miss M. Wallace, Paris, Pres. Treas.					
Vandalia	25	6	1	38 80	Mrs. G. D. Jerauld.
Charleston	26	5		55 65	Mrs. J. M. Miller.
Young Peoples' Band	13			13 27	Miss Kate Carman.
Paris	23	3		87 75	Miss Miranda Wallace.
Neoga	22	6		33 00	Mrs. A. E. Stone.
Morrisonville	12	2		13 85	Mrs. E. P. Rankin.
Susie Calhoun Band			8	7 20	Mrs. H. S. Jordan.
Shelbyville	16			30 00	Mrs. D. B. Dearing.
Pana	40	8		71 32	Miss Dora Race.
"Willing Workers."	49		9	18 87	Miss Lillie Kirkpatrick.
Taylorville	15	10		30 25	Mrs. W. M. Provine.
Kansas	20		1	22 45	Mrs. M. A. Russell.
Effingham	12	4		31 00	Mrs. Anna Dobbins.
Dudley	8			20 00	Mrs. M. Burgan.
Casey	10	3		14 75	Miss Mary Carr.
Band			5	2 00	Miss Della Walker.
Prairie Home	31	1		25 00	Mrs. C. E. McBurney.
Mattoon					
Kansas Evening Stars					Dimple Paxton.
Tuscola				13 25	Miss Helen S. Stevenson.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.</b>					
Mrs. K. C. Moody, Mendota, Pres. Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Woodbridge, Mendota, Pres. Treas.					
Aurora	13	3	2	33 39	Mrs. Thomas Galt.
S. S. Miss. Band				25 00	Miss Jessie Thorworth.
Oswego	20	2		23 00	Mrs. M. E. Jenson.
Au Sable Grove (Kendall)	22	2		29 23	Mrs. Jesse Carpenter.
Morris (no report)					Mrs. D. Nickel.
Paw Paw Grove	13			10 00	Miss Kate Woods.
Mendota	43	16		109 76	Mrs. D. C. Wright.
Somonauk	23	1		23 00	Miss Laura Kellogg.

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Rochelle.....	40			\$35 00	Mrs. Israel Brundage.
Waterman.....				6 10	Mrs. G. M. Macklin.
Waltham Church (Utica)...	36	7	7	20 68	Miss Fannie Jones.
Union Grove (Granville)...	13	5	3	50 00	Miss Mary A. Hayslip.
Park Church (Streater)...	25	2		20 00	Miss Fannie Colley.
Sandwich.....				29 55	Miss E. Stewart.
Polo.....				31 30	Miss Mary Webster.
Elgin.....	25	2		8 00	Miss Mary E. George.
Pingree Grove.....				20 00	Mrs. John McCormack.
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>472 96</b>	
Value F. M. Boxes.....				26 40	
“ H. M. Box.....				17 13	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF PEORIA.</b>					
Mrs. J. G. Johnston, Peoria, Pres. Pres't; Miss Julia H Johnston, 105 Sixth street. Peoria, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. J.H Morrison, 305 N. Jefferson st. Peoria, Pres. Treas.					
Peoria First Church.....	80	21		237 82	Miss Rose Reynolds.
E. R. Edwards Mis. Band..	157		13	85 00	Miss Mary Fisher.
Little Lights.....	20			12 55	Georgie M. Johnston.
Second Church.....	60	24		177 35	Mrs. Lindsay McCoy.
Light Bearers.....	50			39 77	Mr. Boyd Smith.
Grace Church.....	30	4		42 00	Mrs. Lizzie B. Johnson.
Children's Offering.....				9 00	
Calvary Church.....	14			26 00	Mrs. Donat Miller.
Rays of Light.....				2 00	Miss Minnie Baum.
Canton.....	54	14	8	102 00	Miss Annie E. Brearley.
Sabbath School Mis. Band.	13			30 80	Mr. Will R. Haynes.
“ Merrie Workers ”.....				14 00	Miss Annie E. Brearley.
Lewistown.....	40	16	4	100 10	Mrs. J. F. Magill.
Mission Band.....	36			34 22	Mrs. J. F. Magill.
Young Ladies' Circle.....	10			23 00	Mrs. A. D. Ross.
Mrs. Myron Phelps, special				150 00	
Galesburg.....	48	16		85 00	Mrs. O. T. Johnson.
Pearl Seekers.....	60		19	40 00	Miss Anna B. Judson.
Knoxville.....	53	14		50 00	Miss A. O. Sanburn.
Whatsoever Band.....	100		8	50 00	Miss Elmira Hogg.
Prospect Church, Dunlap..	21	11		89 00	Mrs. Eliza Dunlap.
Little Sheaf Gatherers....	7		3		Alva Dunlap.
Princeville.....	30	8		51 00	Miss Mina D. Edwards.
Winn Band.....	32		10	45 00	Miss Stella G. Henry.



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Farmington.....	31	8		37 43	Mrs. J. M. Wilson.
Sabbath School Mis. Band.			1	12 66	Miss Mary T. McMullen.
Ipava.....	20	9		90 00	Mrs. Alice McCune.
Mission Gleaners.....	30		50	25 00	Miss Mattie Bacon.
Delavan.....	20	4		40 50	Miss Hattie W. Maclay.
Sabbath School.....			10	14 00	
Eureka.....	16	3		40 75	Mrs. Martha Murray.
Young Peoples' Soc.....	16	1		9 20	Miss Anna Hamilton.
Busy Bees.....			10		Mrs. W. H. Pumphrey.
Oneida.....	25			34 00	Mrs. Kate Allison.
Mission Band.....	56		5	14 00	Miss Lizzie Bigham.
Yates City.....	38	5		46 00	Miss Retta Parker.
S. S. Mission Band.....				6 00	Miss Retta Parker.
Elmwood.....	30	2		20 00	Miss Minnie Purcell.
Willing Workers.....	35		5	6 00	Miss Lillie Purcell.
Green Valley.....	28	7		25 00	Miss E. M. Allen.
Rural Gleaners.....	40		5	15 20	Mr Will Brawner.
Brimfield.....	7	1		10 50	Mrs. Isabel R. Moore.
Sabbath School Band.....				1 00	Miss Rebecca Bryson.
Salem, Smithville P. O.....	18	4		25 00	Miss Lou Patterson.
Brunswick, Cramer P. O.....	16	1		12 70	Mrs. Anna Turner.
French Grove.....	24			27 00	Miss Viola Coe.
Vermont.....	6	1		7 10	Mrs. Anna M. Hamer.
Astoria.....	6	2		4 00	Mrs. Dilworth Carter.
Altona.....				10 00	Mrs. Etta Tamblyn.
Deer Creek.....	18	9		19 30	Miss Lucy Bogardus.
Elmira.....	22	6		15 05	Mrs. C. B. Rutherford.
Washington S. S. Miss. Band.	60			13 60	Florence Dougherty.
John Knox Church.....				10 00	
A Friend in Lacon.....				1 00	
Anonymous.....				5 00	
	1659	191	151	2092 70	
Home Missions.....				1415 00	
PRESBYTERY OF ROCK RIVER.					
Mrs. J. Ross Mills, Rock Island, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. G. L. Lyon, Sterling, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. R. S. W. Ely, Morrison, Pres. Treas.					
Dixon.....	20	1	1	\$23 13	Mrs. Dr. H. Brooks.
Willing Hearts and Ready Hands.....	7				Lottie Johnson.

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Princeton .....	46	11	5	77 95	Mrs. Tracy Reeves.
Sabbath School.....				25 00	Miss Belle Boggs.
Hamlet .....	35	4	3	5 00	Mrs. Elisha Lee.
Fulton .....	20	4		31 90	Mrs. Payson Trask.
Sabbath School.....	all		1	18 41	Mrs. Payson Trask.
Millersburg .....	12	1	1	17 20	Miss Mattie Bay.
Geneseo .....	12			10 64	Miss Mary B. Nickols.
Armor Bearers.....	9			7 00	Miss Lettie Jacques.
Here Am I.....	12			10 64	Miss Winnie Schureman
Edgington.....	44			10 00	Miss Helen Fisher.
Joy (Peniel Church).....				8 40	Mrs. Frank Love.
Rock Island, Broadway....	10		10	18 60	Mrs. J. W. Stewart.
Ruth's Band.....	20			15 00	Miss Lillie Fleming.
Sabbath School.....				23 58	Mr. S. C. Plumer, Jr.
Central Church.....	14	1		13 40	Mrs. H. M. Freeman.
Sabbath School.....				8 40	Mr. B. D. Connelly.
Sharon (Spring Hill).....	16			17 00	Mrs. B. Benson.
Morrison .....	20			25 00	Mrs. C. Foster.
Willing Workers.....				2 86	Miss Julia Wallace.
Albany.....				5 00	Mrs. Van Dusen.
Sterling.....				111 00	Mrs. N. H. G. Fife.
Woodhull.....	40			51	Carrie P. Howell.
Milan .....	7				Mrs. John Dixon.
Garden Plain.....	38				Miss Susie Thompson.
Norwood .....					Miss Clara Lafferty.
Franklin Grove.....					Miss Lola Scott.
Newton Church (Kingsburg)	20	2		15 00	Miss Hattie Ege.
Morrison, Spring Valley Ch..					Miss Ida M. Miller.
Aledo.....				30 00	Mrs. T. Stephenson.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF SCHUYLER.</b>					
Mrs. J. G. Rankin, Macomb					Pres. Pres't; Miss C. A.
Collins, 1808, Maine street					Quincy, Pres. Sec'y; Miss
Gertrude Van Hoesen, Ma-					comb, Pres. Treas.
Appanoose.....	13	5		47 00	Miss K. J. Jackson.
Augusta .....	41	2		25 00	Miss E. G. Catlin.
Mission Band.....					Miss Addie Werth.
Bardolph.....	26	4		50 00	Miss Sara J. Park.
Carthage.....	17	5	3	29 50	Mrs. Mary E. Findley.
Clayton.....	20	2		19 00	Mrs. M. A. Stiffy.
Elvaston .....	27	6		20 00	Miss Abbie Berry.

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Fountain Green.....	23	1	34 00	Miss Laura Bandon.	
Mt. Sterling.....	6		80 00	Mrs. J. G. Lowrie.	
Earnest Workers.....	50	5	50 00	Miss Ellen Barrows.	
Perry.....	17	3	28 00	Mrs. M. E. Reynolds.	
Prairie City.....	22	4	30 31	Mrs. A. E. Bates.	
Quincy.....	76	4	99 05	Mrs. Wm. H. Hart.	
Sabbath School.....			10 89		
Rushville.....	30	6	50 00	Miss Kate Erwin.	
Kirkwood.....	18	5	25 00	Mrs. E. W. Thomson.	
Miss. Band and S. S.....		4	6 00	Miss Alice Abty.	
Hersman.....	22		6 67	Miss Lizzie B. Hersman.	
Mission Band.....	30		6 00	Miss Ella Hersman.	
Macomb.....	101	7	58 00	Mrs. Annie E. Venable.	
Mission Band.....			29 84	Mrs. Dr. Livermore.	
Camp Point.....			30 00	Mrs. O. Noble.	
Warsaw, Wythe Church.....	23	5	19 79	Miss Sara Gray.	
Monmouth.....			47 00	Mrs. J. M. Cutcheon.	
Sciota, Mrs. Painter.....			45 00		
Dr. Ringland's Gifts.....			2600 00		
<b>PRESBYTERY OF SPRINGFIELD</b>					
Mrs. Dr. J. H. Brown, Springfield, Pres. Pres; Mrs M. J. McCartney, Jacksonville. Cor. Sec; Mrs. Alice McElroy Griffith, Springfield Rec. Sec; Mrs. B. H. Brainard, Lincoln, Treasurer.					
Springfield First Church....	80	12	5	285 50	Mrs. G. Clinton Smith.
Young Ladies Society....	7	3		56 00	Laura Lusk.
Sunday School Band....	250		5	131 89	Mr. G. W. Black.
Second Church.....	35			132 00	Miss Kate Hale.
Young Ladies.....	24	5	1	30 00	Miss F. A. Ruckel.
Sunday School Band....	250			76 48	Miss Alice Conkling.
Third Church S. S. Band....	200			68 00	Miss E. A. Wills.
Lincoln.....	20	9		40 65	Mrs. F. B. Mills.
Young Ladies.....	15			21 05	Miss May Leach.
Sunday School Band.....				27 14	Willie Danken.
Pisgah (Orleans).....	18	4	5	30 00	Mrs. B. P. Drury.
Unity (Woodson).....	16	4	3	26 70	Miss Anna McCormick.
Pleasant Plains (Berlin)....	18			25 00	Miss Mary Howard.
Petersburg.....	21	3	1	38 21	Miss Eliza Frackelton.
Sunday School Band....	50			35 00	Sam Montgomery.

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Mason City.....	25			36 05	Mrs. S. M. Miller.
Sunday School Band.....				4 25	Fred Miller.
Bates.....	23	1		50 00	Miss S. C. Brown.
Virginia.....	20	3		25 00	Mrs. S. Wilson.
Williamsville.....	7			8 30	Mrs. M. C. Pickrell.
North Sangamon.....	31	13	5	147 57	Miss Laura Moore.
Jacksonville Westminster...	29			80 00	Mrs. Wm. E. Capps.
Central.....	34	7		100 00	Mrs. C. M. McLain.
First Church.....	56	7		100 00	Miss M. E. Catlin.
Young Ladies.....				120 00	Miss Alice Wright.
Chatham Young Ladies....				5 00	Miss Lou Vanderen.
First and Second Portugues					
Chs. Young Ladies Society.....					Miss Govia.

## INDIANA.

MRS. CHAS. HUTCHINSON, New Albany, Synodical President.  
MRS. J. F. Moore, Vincennes, Synodical Secretary.

PRESBYTERY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE.					
Mrs. John M. Bishop, Covington, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. L. P. Wilmer, Williamsport, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. Thos. G. Rainey, Lafayette, Pres. Treas.					
Attica.....	22	2	7	34 00	Mrs. R. S. Miner.
Willing Workers.....	20			30 00	Miss Ida Wise.
Bethany (Marshall).....	15	4		40 00	Mrs. Annie McCampbell
Armor Bearers.....	17		7	10 90	Miss Maggie McMurtry
Beulah (Rob Roy).....	24			54 42	Miss Annie E. Dunbar.
Crawfordsville, First Church	14	3		38 86	Miss H. B. McErwing.
Crawfordsville Center Ch....	70	10		103 86	Mrs. Prof. Campbell.
Willing Workers.....			18		Miss Mamie Thomson.
Covington.....	29	2		20 35	Miss Mary Nelson.
Mission Band.....	18		8	25 00	Miss Katie Boorel.
Delphi.....	44	6		117 63	Mrs. S. M. Sterling.
S. S. Mission Society.....	125		13	26 00	Mrs. Lizzie Stranathan.
Dayton S. S. Mission Society.	37	8		45 00	Mrs. V. V. C. Burton.
Elizaville.....	16	2		5 00	Miss Kate Kersey.

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		Wom.	Child.		
Fowler Auxiliary and S. S.	12	...	...	10 00	Mrs. D. R. Love.
Frankfort	22	3	...	60 67	Mrs. W. H. Simpson.
Mary Campbell Band	22	...	...	76 46	Miss Lena Bryant.
Kirklin	23	...	...	5 00	Mrs. N. A. Searcy.
Lafayette First Ch., S. S. Soc.	41	12	1	140 00	Mrs. Lida W. Stevenson.
Lafayette Second Church	55	...	...	50 00	Mrs. Ada B. Falley.
Young People	...	...	...	36 00	
Little Helpers	15	...	...	4 53	Miss Clara White.
Lebanon	11	3	...	10 00	Mrs. E. P. Kellogg.
Newtown	26	...	...	39 80	Mrs. S. C. Mann.
Parkersburg	16	...	...	15 00	Mrs. J. W. Foster.
Rockville	27	4	...	45 00	Mrs. D. W. Stark.
Rockfield and Rock Creek	39	6	...	31 00	Mrs. Annie Steele.
Romney	18	3	...	25 00	Miss Mary E. Leaming.
Shannondale—Mount Family Band	4	1	1	5 00	Mrs. J. A. Mount.
Thorntown	19	...	...	25 00	Mrs. A. Vannice.
Waveland	25	3	1	60 50	Mrs. H. E. Rhoads.
Williamsport Aux. and S. S. Class	10	1	1	18 00	Miss Ella Sutton.
Covington	...	...	...	20 25	
Eugene	...	...	...	8 00	
	896	73	52	1231 23	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF FT. WAYNE.</b>					
Mrs. A. Blunt, Goshen, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. Isaac d'Isay, 26 Douglass Ave., Ft Wayne, Pres. Sec'y; Miss S. S. Keil, Superior st., Ft. Wayne, Treas.					
Albion	14	1	...	9 68	Miss Ella Marshall.
Auburn	24	...	...	4 00	Miss Mary C. Hartman.
Mission Band	...	...	...	12 00	Alva Ralston.
Elkhart	8	1	...	105 00	Miss Susie Mann.
Sabbath School M'n Soc'y	110	...	1	58 00	Miss Susie Mann.
Bluffton	23	2	...	13 00	Mrs. S. S. Roth.
Children's Band	10	...	...	...	Miss Rosa Myers.
Huntington	18	2	...	25 00	Mrs. S. K. Sessions.
Young Ladies' Band	20	...	...	...	Ollie Ricker.
Willing Workers	22	...	1	...	Lulu Hoffman.

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Lima .....	26	2	...	55 00	Mrs. S. T. Cooper.
Sabbath School M'n Soc'y .....	...	...	2	10 00	Mrs. S. T. Cooper.
Warsaw .....	18	3	...	20 00	Mrs. J. M. Webber.
Go Forwards .....	36	...	9	30 58	Mrs. J. M. Webber.
Ft. Wayne, First Church .....	100	11	3	368 00	Mrs. W. H. Hoffman.
Sabbath School .....	...	...	...	100 00	
Second Church .....	50	...	...	79 13	Mrs. O. J. Willson.
Pearl Gatherers .....	55	...	...	25 00	Miss Jennie Hayes.
Third Church .....	23	1	...	32 00	Mrs. O. B. Fitch.
Lilies of the Valley .....	16	...	...	25 00	Miss Ida Welsh.
La Grange .....	27	2	...	31 00	Miss Ida Cathcart.
Kendallville .....	20	3	...	21 75	Mrs. M. E. Goodman.
Sabbath School .....	...	...	9	35 00	Mrs. M. E. Goodman.
Goshen .....	48	5	...	100 00	Mrs. J. D. Hebert.
Sabbath School .....	...	...	12	25 00	Mrs. J. D. Hebert.
Pierceton .....	15	...	...	13 75	Mrs. P. Conrad.
"Little Gleaners" .....	12	...	4	7 72	Ida Shumaker.
<b>PREBYTERY OF INDIANAPOLIS</b>					
Mrs. A. H. Carrier, 619 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. G. A. Wells, 181 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, Cor. Sec; Miss Helen M. Pierson, 32 E. Vermont St., Indianapolis, Rec. Sec; Mrs. Benj. Walcott, 82 W. North St., Indianapolis, Treas.					
Acton .....	...	...	...	6 00	
Bloomington .....	62	3	1	60 65	Mrs. R. W. Miers.
Columbus .....	36	3	1	23 25	Mrs. Robert Lynn.
Franklin .....	40	11	...	150 00	Mrs. John Clark.
Do What We Can Band .....	38	...	10	50 00	Miss Lizzie Overstreet.
Greenwood .....	...	...	...	11 00	Mrs. H. Brown.
Greencastle .....	30	5	...	54 00	Miss Idelle Wilson.
Hopewell Church (Franklin) .....	33	4	...	57 40	Miss Tinie Vannuys.
Band Little Workers .....	34	...	...	7 10	Miss Edith Lagrange.
Southport .....	30	8	...	20 00	Mrs. R. L. Miles.
Whiteland .....	15	8	...	10 00	Mrs. Edward Ditmars.
First Ch. Indianapolis .....	75	...	...	427 92	Mrs. Carrie Goulding.
Sunday School .....	...	...	...	33 35	Mrs. Mary L. Smart.
Second Church .....	100	10	8	475 00	Mrs. John M. Butler.
Young Ladies Society .....	16	...	...	5 00	Miss Margaret Butler.

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Third Church.....	45	4	...	216 27	Mrs. M. N. Fulton.
S. S. (Infant Class).....	...	...	13	26 00	Mrs. Dr. Newcomer.
Fourth Church.....	20	1	...	76 88	Mrs. V. K. Hendricks.
Sunday School.....	...	...	...	80 00	Mrs. Chas. M. Walker.
Fifth Church.....	10	...	...	5 60	Mrs. J. R. Mitchell.
Sixth Church.....	10	1	...	5 00	Mrs. Wm. Hoefgen.
Seventh Church.....	40	1	...	10 00	Mrs. Lizzie Osler.
Eighth (Indianola).....	...	...	...	14 00	Miss Maggie Traub.
Tenth (Memorial).....	25	5	...	46 55	Mrs. C. Freyberger.
Twelfth Church.....	36	1	...	50 00	Miss M. L. Hitchcock.
Young Ladies Circle.....	...	...	...	13 37	
Miss H.....	...	...	...	25 00	
	685	65	33	1928 84	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF LOGANSPOBT.</b>					
Mrs. J. F. Kendall, La Porte, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. A. V. Bartholomew, Valparaiso, Cor. Sec'y; Miss C. M. Hitchcock, Michigan City, Rec. Sec'y; Mrs. C. V. Sher- wood, Mishawaka, Treas.					
La Porte.....	36	18	...	\$53 11	Mrs. Frank Boyd.
Young Ladies' Circle.....	50	9	...	36 18	Miss Inez Buck.
Monticello.....	25	...	...	23 10 1/2	Miss Columbia E Logan
Young People's M'n Soc'y	...	...	...	10 21 1/2	Miss Columbia E. Logan
Willing Workers' Band.....	...	8	...	3 98	Virginia Gardner.
Logansport, Broadway Ch...	9	4	...	52 50	Mrs. M. R. Frazee.
Willing Workers.....	18	3	...	25 00	Miss Mary McConnel.
Valparaiso.....	41	5	...	117 08	Mrs. Dr. J. H. Letherman
Band of Willing Workers.	52	12	...	40 74	Miss Jennie Letherman.
Rochester.....	23	5	...	22 50	Miss Annie C. Keith.
Band of Hope.....	23	5	...	21 00	Miss Mary Kirtland..
Hebron.....	16	...	...	5 00	Mrs. Spencer Baker.
Logansport, First Church...	75	3	...	50 00	Mrs. J. C. Ingram.
Little Gleaners' Band....	40	1	...	10 00	Miss Annie Strain.
Lake Prairie (Lowell, Lake County).....	20	3	...	32 65	
Helpers.....	18	7	...	8 00	Mrs. Nannie W. Ames. Miss Ellen Little.
Pisgah Ch. (Curveton, Cass County).....	20	...	...	15 00	Miss Geneva H. Read.
South Bend.....	32	2	...	33 33	Miss Kate C. Esmay.
Young People's Society...	17	...	...	34 81	George H. Baker.

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Michigan City.....	25	8	...	48 40	Mrs. J. A. Thornton.
Sabbath School M'n Soc'y .....	...	...	7	29 32	Miss Annie Hutchinson.
Plymouth.....				9 00	
Band Light Bearers.....	27	...	...	3 00	Miss Annie Houghton.
Apple Blossoms.....	27	...	...	8 30	Mrs. E. S. Brooke.
Meadow Lake (Wolcott)....	35	2	...	46 33	Miss Mary McAllister.
Mishawaka.....	15	7	...	28 30	Mrs. C. V. Sherwood.
Sabbath School M'n Soc'y .....	125	...	...	14 15	Miss Carrie Towle.
Union Church (Logansport)..	25	...	...	19 00	Miss Ida M. Martin.
Bourbon (no report).....					Miss Hattie Read.
Goodland (no report).....					Mrs. Gray.
Remington.....					Mrs. Dr. Patton.
Kentland.....	20	1	...		J. V. McCullough.
Rensselaer.....					
<b>PRESBYTERY OF MUNCIE.</b>					
Mrs. O. J. Conner, Wabash, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. E. H. Good- ykoonts, Anderson, Cor. Sec; Miss Nellie Gilbert, Tipton; Rec. Sec'y; Miss M. Jennie Neely, Muncie, Treas.					
Anderson.....	23	2	8	30 00	Mrs. I. R. Conwell.
Hopewell Ch. (Sharpville)...	15	1	5	5 80	Miss J. E. Bowlby.
Jonesboro.....	13	1	...	18 39	Miss Alice Lottridge.
La Gro.....	9	...	...	6 25	Miss Mary Bean.
Muncie.....	20	3	6	40 00	Mrs. A. E. Smith.
Noblesville.....	16	2	...	30 00	Mrs. P. P. Davis.
Peru.....	42	12	5	38 66	Mrs. T. Dawson.
Portland.....	15	3	...	30 00	Mrs. G. W. Cunningham
Little Volunteers.....	10	...	20	1 54	Miss Ellie Cring.
Perrysburg.....	6	1	6	11 13	Miss Louie Marley.
Tipton.....	17	...	13	17 00	Miss Nellie Gilbert.
Union City.....	15	1	...	10 00	Mrs. S. R. Bell.
Wabash.....	43	4	...	114 27	Mrs. Warren Bigler.
Light Bearers.....	12	...	...	57 00	Miss Carrie Shields.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF NEW ALBANY.</b>					
Mrs. E. H. Mann, New Albany, Pres. Pres't.; Mrs. W. M. Lewis, New Albany, Sec'y; Mrs. C. H. Comer, New Albany, Treas.					
New Albany.....	108	3	16	549 11	Miss Theo. Hadden.



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Three Sunday Schools .....	475			\$168 00	
Madison First Church .....	32	1		70 00	Mrs. W. A. Graham.
Young Ladies' Band.....	25			40 00	Miss S. Willie Lyle.
Jeffersonville.....	63			56 00	Miss L. Butler.
Band—Golden Hours.....	10		14	8 00	Miss Lizzie Sprowle.
Vernon .....	13	2		57 95	Mrs. Annie E. Barr.
Charlestown.....	10	3		10 00	Mrs. M. E. Wilson.
Young Ladies' Band.....	19		1	9 00	Mrs. M. E. Wilson.
Madison Second Church....	27	2	1	30 00	Mrs. C. E. Sullivan.
Mitchell .....	12			8 85	Miss Mattie Pearson.
Salem .....	9	2		21 00	Mrs. M. L. Collins.
Hanover .....	23	6		81 92	Mrs. S. C. Garritt.
Band—Light Bearers.....	15		5	7 48	Mrs. S. C. Garritt.
Bedford.....	16	2	2	26 85	Mrs. Belle Span Lockett.
Paoli .....	15			16 77	Mrs. W. T. Gooden.
Sunday School .....	62				Mrs. W. T. Gooden.
New Washington .....	28	5		16 85	Miss Rhoda Taylor.
Seymour.....	19			28 10	Mrs. I. L. Kessler.
Sunday School.....				5 13	Mrs. I. L. Kessler.
Solon, or Owen Creek .....	16			25 00	Mrs. M. I. McCormick.
Lexington Band.....	17	1	1	11 00	Miss Fannie Campbell.
Corydon .....	28				Miss Anna Holseland.
New Market .....	12				Mrs. Eliza Cortner.
Vevay .....	21				Miss C. Jennie Archer.
Greenville .....					
W. S. Culbertson .....				500 00	
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<b>PRESBYTERY OF VINCENNES</b>					
Mrs. J. F. Moore, Vincennes, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. E. T. Drew, 708 Upper 2d street, Evansville, Pres. Sec'y; Miss Anna Archer, Evans- ville, Pres. Treas.					
Evansville, Walnut st. Church	47	8		90 00	Mrs. Alex. Gilchrist.
"The Messengers".....	40		5	60 00	Hattie Uric.
Grace Church.....	22	5		60 00	Mrs. R. K. Dunkerson.
"Busy Bees".....	14		3	15 00	Miss Ruth Priest.
First Avenue Church.....	17	1		36 75	Mrs. M. J. Bullock.
"Willing Workers".....	15		1	18 75	Alice Wiltshire.
Terre Haute, Central Church	12	8		50 00	Mrs. S. B. Davis.
"Cheerful Givers".....	14		11	15 00	Cornelia Beach.

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Princeton .....	81	9	...	26 00	Miss Mary Williams.
"Little Gleaners".....	39	...	3	16 13	Nellie Hall.
Vincennes .....	18	7	...	28 65	Mrs. Wm. B. Harris.
"Go Forwards".....	22	...	20	27 49	Miss Anna De Wolf.
Vincennes, Upper Indiana Ch	26	...	...	16 70	Mrs. J. F. Moore.
Washington.....	20	3	...	7 60	Miss Lida Van Trees.
Sullivan (no report).....	...	...	...	...	Mrs. J. H. Meter.
Brazil .....	20	...	...	60 00	Mrs. J. S. Kellogg.
"Busy Bees" (recently or- ganized).....	25	...	...	...	Jessie Chrisfield.
Petersburg .....	15	1	...	6 00	Miss Mary B. Wilson.
Spencer.....	16	3	...	15 22	Miss Mary Ahern.
	413	45	43	549 20	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF WHITE- WATER.</b>					
Mrs. S. A. Bonner, Greens- burg, Pres. Pres't.; Mrs. W. B. Hamilton, Greensburg, Sec'y; Mrs. J. R. Preston, Richmond, Treas.					
Brookville .....	32	...	...	11 15	Mary S. Moore.
Cambridge City .....	14	2	2	11 50	Nellie M. Smalley.
College Corner, Ohio.....	21	...	...	23 90	Cornelia Loder.
Connersville Band.....	58	...	...	...	Anna Hamilton.
Ebenezer Ch. (Lewisville) ...	13	5	...	19 15	Belle Coffin.
Greensburg .....	108	13	15	353 51	Mrs. M. Grover.
Sunday School.....	...	...	...	55 45	Mrs. M. Grover.
Kingston .....	34	2	...	61 30	Mary Hamilton.
Knightstown .....	18	7	1	19 05	Mrs. R. M. King.
Lewisville Band—no report.	...	...	...	1 00	Effie Wilson.
Liberty—no report.....	6	...	...	6 00	Mrs. J. Landis.
Richmond .....	73	5	...	245 25	Mrs. D. Mather.
Sunday School.....	200	...	5	60 18	Mrs. C. E. Zeller.
Rushville .....	38	8	...	87 35	Mrs. E. Villabrille.
Sunday School.....	140	...	...	8 23	Mrs. E. Villabrille.
Sardinia .....	14	1	...	27 00	Miss Annie Reiley.
Shelbyville .....	18	2	...	62 00	Mrs. H. H. Daugherty.
Circle.....	10	...	4	7 00	Miss Ella Daugherty.
Connersville .....	...	...	...	10 00	

## IOWA.

Mrs. D. W. C. ROWLEY, Cedar Rapids, Synodical President.

Mrs. J. F. YOUNG, Vinton,  
Mrs. ALEX. SCOTT, Des Moines, } Synodical Secretaries.

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<b>PRESBYTERY OF CEDAR RAPIDS.</b>					
Mrs. E. H. Avery, Vinton, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Cedar Rapids, First Church.	60	15	12	\$306 00	Mrs. T. M. Sinclair.
Sunday School	27	10	12	49 00	Mrs. A. R. Foote.
Linn Grove (Mt. Vernon)	16	7	...	50 00	Mr. J. B. Moore, Supt.
Mt. Vernon	25	5	2	80 00	Miss Nelia Kyle.
Young Ladies' M'n Band	25	5	2	28 09	Mrs W. E. Platner.
Anamosa	17	3	20	10 00	Miss Lizzie M. Gormly.
Wyoming	30	10	6	9 72	Mrs. Sarah A. Higby.
Cheerful Workers	31	...	...	53 80	Mrs. L. J. Richards.
Sabbath School	100	...	...	2 75	Miss Laura McGrew.
Watkins	11	2	6	24 00	Mr. T. J. Baird.
Vinton	30	14	...	11 75	Miss Louisa Fowler.
Young People's Society	39	...	...	200 00	Mrs. G. W. Burnham.
Sabbath School	250	150	...	50 00	Miss Alice Barney.
Garrison	10	...	...	42 00	Mr. J. W. F. Young.
Mechanicsville	25	3	2	23 35	Mrs. J. W. Brewer.
Lyons	10	...	...	63 55	Miss Mary E. Thomas.
Delmar	12	...	...	9 00	Mrs. G. D. Young.
Onslow	8	...	...	5 00	Mrs. A. E. Conn.
Dysart	17	1	1	10 00	Mrs. E. McCready.
Blairstown	15	5	6	27 04	Mrs. M. A. Sherwin.
Clarence	19	...	7	22 71	Mrs. Edith B. Smith.
Scotch Grove	...	...	...	10 00	Miss Nettie A. Porter.
Clinton	20	5	...	10 00	Mrs. Della Olmstead.
Marion	30	9	...	88 00	Mrs. S. J. Bishop.
Working Band	10	...	...	36 00	Mrs. Geo. Cook.
				39 00	Miss Cora Garrett.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS.</b>					
Mrs. C. H. DeLong, Greenfield, Pres. Pres't.; Mrs. S. L. McAfee, Malvern, Sec'y and Treas.					
Afton	13	...	...	13 65	Mrs. G. L. Barnum.

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Atlantic .....	12	...	...	3 00	Mrs. Wm. McGeehan.
Budford .....	11	4	4	4 00	Mrs. Dr. Guthrie.
Clarinda .....	30	6	...	25 00	Mrs. M. J. Sutherland.
Corning .....	24	8	...	37 50	Mrs. J. P. Clark.
Council Bluffs .....	33	10	12	25 00	Mrs. W. E. Merritt.
Y. L. Society .....	14	...	2	50 00	Miss Anna Mayes.
Emerson .....	15	2	30	24 70	Mrs. R. M. Shipman.
Essex .....	4	2	1	3 10	Mrs. E. D. Middleton.
Conway, Fairview Church .....	...	...	...	4 00	Mrs. H. K. Hamblin.
Greenfield .....	...	...	...	93	
Logan .....	18	3	8	7 05	Mrs. G. R. Carroll.
Malvern .....	22	7	...	40 00	Mrs. S. L. McAfee.
Young Ladies Society .....	17	...	...	10 00	Miss Elith Evans.
Sunday School .....	75	...	10	8 88	Miss Edith Evans.
East Nodaway .....	22	10	...	6 00	Mrs. E. A. Dunning.
Sidney .....	12	1	2	14 75	Mrs. A. B. Thornell.
Shenandoah .....	11	2	...	36 35	Mrs. J. E. Mathuss.
Red Oak .....	25	5	...	44 25	Mrs. H. N. Moore.
Pearl Gatherers .....	25	...	11	35 74	Miss Eva Lorange.
Villisca .....	8	...	3	2 50	Mrs. C. N. Preston.
Walnut .....	...	...	...	5 50	
Avoca .....	...	...	...	25 00	
Home Missions .....	...	...	...	140 89	
Boxes .....	...	...	...	95 30	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF DES MOINES</b>					
Mrs. J. H. Potter, Winterset Pres. Pres't; Mrs. J. A. Blanchard, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Des Moines .....	70	...	...	\$150 00	Mrs. J. A. Blanchard.
Young Ladies' Band .....	12	...	...	18 00	Miss E. D. Blanchard.
Sunday School M'n Soc'y. ....	...	...	10	40 00	Miss Amelta Morton.
East Des Moines .....	20	7	3	20 00	Mrs. William Carter.
Winterset .....	46	2	...	75 00	Mrs. Byron Tucker.
Knoxville .....	29	1	...	25 00	Mrs. Lizzie Hoge.
Indianola .....	...	1	...	25 00	Mrs. Martha Mayer.
Adel .....	26	4	1	60 00	Mrs. John Risser.
Osceola .....	15	1	16	15 00	Mrs. Banta.
Sunday School M'n Band. ....	...	...	...	12 50	Mrs. Turk Moore.
Russell .....	19	...	...	22 00	Mrs. J. W. Kennedy.
Oskaloosa .....	27	2	...	25 00	Mrs. L. A. Rice.
Chariton .....	9	5	...	15 25	Mrs. T. S. Rogers.
Leon .....	15	1	...	25 00	Mrs. C. J. Swearingen.

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Lineville.....				\$10 00	Mrs. J. A. Johnson.
Newton.....	5			5 00	Mrs. J. S. Housel.
Dexter.....	12	2		11 55	Mrs. J. H. Aten.
Hartford.....				6 00	Mrs. D. Craig.
Albia.....	29	11		25 00	Miss Annie C. Young.
New Sharon.....	13			6 10	Mrs. L. V. Gilchrist.
South Des Moines.....				9 00	
	347	37	30	600 40	
Home Missions.....				169 21	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF DUBUQUE.</b>					
Mrs. D. J. Burrell, Dubuque, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. H. M. Beach, 1100 Main street, Dubuque, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Hopkinton.....	18			23 27	Mrs. J. L. Wilson.
Independence.....	52	6		91 00	Mrs. O. P. Hammond.
"Sabbath School Workers"				18 90	W. E. Kellogg.
Manchester.....	11	2			Mrs. P. C. Triem.
West Union.....	10			10 00	Mrs. Fred. Tyler.
Lansing.....	20	6		15 00	Mrs. I. D. Fowler.
Dubuque (Second Pres.).....	56	5	3	101 30	Mrs. B. M. Harger.
"Armor Bearers".....	14			60 00	Mrs. D. J. Burrell.
Mt. Hope Ch. (French Creek)	8			7 00	Mrs. Benj. Ratcliffe.
Pine Creek Ch. (Winthrop)..	20	5		30 00	Miss Becca Guthrie.
				284 27	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF FORT DODGE, IOWA.</b>					
Miss Sue Breeze, Sioux City, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Boone.....	22	5	5	32 00	Mrs. C. A. Crawford.
S. S.....	150		7	25 00	Mrs. H. D. Ensign.
Jefferson.....	18	11		11 50	Mrs. S. L. Childs.
S. S.....	213			3 50	Miss Hattie B. Page.
Cherokee.....	25	2	1	28 14	Mrs. E. C. Herrick.
S. S. "Willing Workers".....	100		1	93 75	James Robertson, Jr.
Sioux City.....	37			25 00	Miss Neva H. Rice.
Carroll.....	21			10 00	Mrs. H. E. Griffith.
Ft. Dodge.....	24	2	75	26 00	Mrs. Sadie H. Plumb.

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Denison .....				5 50	Miss Lou E. Chapin.
Vail .....	20			19 00	Mrs. A. B. Head.
Ida Grove .....	14	1		2 50	Mrs. J. B. Kelly.
Paton .....	8			4 60	Mrs. Carrie Cowan.
Storm Lake .....					Mrs. E. E. Cowles.
	652	21	89	286 49	
For Home Missions .....				100 00	
For State and other work .....				58 90	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF IOWA.</b>					
Mrs. Richard Waugh, Mt. Pleasant, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. Geo. B. Smyth, Keokuk, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Burlington .....	65	6	4	156 60	Mrs. W. H. Hopkirk.
Sabbath School Band .....				49 00	Miss Minnie McDill.
Fairfield .....	69	12	11	123 61	Miss Laura Swan.
Gleaners .....	45		11	25 00	Miss May Thompson.
Willing Workers and S. S. Class .....				31 00	
Ft. Madison .....	24			10 00	Mrs. J. A. McCormick.
Highland Branch (Mt. Pleas.) .....	19	4	1	85 00	Mrs. Lizzie Patton.
Mt. Pleasant .....				40 46	Mrs. J. M. Whiting.
Middleton .....	26	2	1	41 00	Miss M. E. McMaker.
Sabbath School Band .....	53	1	1	8 41	Miss Jennie E. Catlin.
Troy .....	26	1		2 00	Miss Hattie Evans.
Winfield .....	25			9 00	Mrs. J. S. Dickey.
Kossuth .....	19	9	4	75 00	Mrs. Daniel Matson.
Band Little Reapers .....			4		Mrs. Daniel Matson.
Mediapolis .....	36	8	2	47 63	Mrs. A. C. Brown.
Band Mission Helpers .....	23		2	40 00	Miss Edith Bruce.
Libertyville .....	16	2		13 80	Mrs. Sarah Blair.
New London .....	22	1	7	42 45	Miss Nora Stephenson.
Sabbath School Band .....	14		7	14 50	Miss Lizzie Bradford.
Birmingham .....	28	4		21 00	Mrs. Theo. Hoagland.
Spring Creek Union (Burlington) .....	14			25 61	Mrs. L. D. Cameron.
Morning Sun .....	20	2		30 00	Miss Anna M. Reid.
Ottumwa .....	80	1		50 00	Mrs. S. V. Summers.
Bloomfield .....					
Keokuk .....	42	10		62 00	Miss Sallie C. Smyth.
Willing Workers .....	50			30 00	Miss Belle Smyth.
Westminster S. S. .....				40 00	
Mission S. S. .....				12 50	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1085 57</b>	

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Home Missions (including Value Boxes).....				503 21	
State and Presbyterial Work.....				23 87	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF IOWA CITY.</b>					
Mrs. M. F. Francis, Brooklyn. Pres. Pres; Mrs. J. W. Hubbard, Wilton Junction, Sec'y and Treas.					
Atalissa.....				2 00	Miss T. Atkinson.
Brooklyn.....	4	2		8 36	Mrs. A. J. Wood.
Crawfordsville.....	8	2		10 00	Mrs. M. M. Bennet.
Davenport First.....				25 00	Mrs. A. Burdick.
Pansy Band.....				5 00	Miss H. Reimers.
Davenport Second.....	6	1		6 00	Mrs. Helen Madison.
Iowa City.....	50	5	12	59 57	Mrs. L. H. Jackson.
Willing Workers.....	45				Miss Clara Ashley.
Malcom.....					Miss C. A. Carter.
Marengo.....	30				Mrs. M. I. Schorn.
Martinsburg.....					Mrs. M. Ogden.
Montezuma.....				18 15	L. W. Wilson.
Muscatine.....	40	10		30 00	Miss Ida M. Sawyer.
Scott Church (Iowa City).....				13 90	Miss Kate Allison.
Sigourney.....	15	1		18 50	Miss V. H. Dixon.
Summit Church (Davenport).....				3 00	Mrs. N. Williams.
Washington.....	29			33 87	Miss Helen A. Sturges.
West Liberty.....				38 50	Mrs. A. Wyant.
Wilton.....	16	6		18 00	Mrs. J. M. Rider.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF WATERLOO.</b>					
Mrs. W. E. Mack, Cedar Falls. Pres. Prest.; Mrs. C. B. Morgan, LaPorte, Sec'y and Treas.					
Ackley.....	14	2		28 18	Mrs. Alma Graves.
S. S. (whole school).....	200			20 00	J. Rath.
Albion.....	18	4	12	16 00	Mrs. E. Humlong.
Sabbath School.....	100		15	7 23	Frank Houghton.
Cedar Falls.....	18	2	5	15 00	Mrs. L. W. Pierce.
Cedar Valley (Washburn).....	4	2		5 00	Mrs. H. R. Dane.
Eldora.....	9		1	8 00	Mrs. J. M. Boyd.
Greene.....					Mrs. C. H. Wilcox.
Grundy Centre.....	12	4	3	19 90	Mrs. C. G. Rogers.
Janesville.....	20	1		10 50	Mrs. F. A. Rowen.
Sabbath School.....	80			5 50	Homer Wetherel.
LaPorte.....	17	1		8 35	Mrs. Henry Waldroff.

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Marshalltown .....	14	8	1	59 00	Mrs. E. D. Yule.
Morrison .....	15	1	1	15 55	Mrs. C. A. Godden.
Nevada .....	18	6	9	15 00	Mrs. S. J. Mills.
Pisgah (Bristow P. O.) .....					Mrs. R. Smith.
Salem (Crystal) .....	21	4		26 83	Miss Sarah E. Wylie.
State Centre .....	12			10 00	Mrs. J. W. Dobbin.
Tranquillity (Traer P. O.) .....	15	4	5	26 15	Mrs. Gilbert McDowell.
Unity (Grundy Centre) .....				3 00	Miss Maria King.
Waterloo .....					Mrs. E. A. Raymond.
Whitten .....	4	2		6 70	Mrs. W. H. Porter.

### MICHIGAN.

MRS. A. F. BRUSKE, Saginaw City, Synodical President.

MRS. C. G. BROWNELL, Seitz Block, Detroit, Synodical Secretary.

PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT.					
Miss H. Cutcheon, Ypsilanti, Pres. Pres't; Miss C. S. Weed, Ypsilanti, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. B. F. Edwards, Ypsilanti, Pres. Treas.					
Detroit First Church .....	54	9		503 00	Mrs. Henry M. Wright.
Richardson Band .....	120	2	2	241 28	Miss Hattie Chambers.
Girls' Miss. Soc'y of the S.S. Fort St. Church, W. M. S. ....	80	20		40 15 367 97	
Mrs. Chandler, support 2 missionaries .....				850 00	
Mrs. Hoffman, school in India .....				40 00	
Ladies' Missionary Society Rhea Mission Band .....	80 50			309 00 150 00	Miss Cora Woodruff. Miss Emeline M. Hosie.
Sabbath School .....				210 00	
Jefferson Av. Ch. L. F. M. S. ...	28	11	2	370 00	Miss Belle Muir.
Westminster Ch. W. M. S. ...	90	10		198 00	Mrs. I. L. Lyon.
Young People's Society ...	60			40 00	Miss Ella Partridge.
Union Church, re-organized. Calvary Ch. Cheerful Givers.	42	1	2	27 00	Mrs. G. W. Barlow.
Foreign Information Guild Central Church S. S. ....	50			10 00 25 00	Mrs. G. W. Barlow. Miss Maggie Murray.



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Memorial Church W. F. M. S.	70	3	16	51 82	Mrs. J. W. Greene.
Cheerful Laborers .....	72				Miss Mary Scringier.
Ann Arbor .....	40	11		400 50	Mrs. S. W. Hunt.
Willing Workers .....	25			85 00	Miss Minnie Tebbles.
Gospel Messengers .....				3 70	Willie Thomas.
Sabbath School .....				14 74	
Infant Class, Little Peace Makers .....				2 50	
Birmingham .....	25	1		44 40	Mrs. J. Allen Bigelow.
Brownell Band .....	7			39 44	Miss Mattie Irving.
Ready Helpers .....	27			7 45	Miss Ella Robbins.
Sabbath School .....				14 00	
Brighton .....	14	3	12	20 00	Mrs. B. H. Lawson.
Sabbath School .....				5 00	
Dearborn .....				3 00	Miss Alma R. Noble.
East Nankin .....	19	1	1	15 00	Miss Fannie Lathers.
Franklin, Wing Lake Ch. ....	15	8		34 50	Mrs. George W. Durkee.
Holly .....	14	4		6 00	Mrs. Carrie F. Mothersell
Howell .....	41	3		75 81	Mrs. George L. Clark.
Young Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y	21			30 25	Miss Anna E. Waddell.
Little Mission Band .....				3 00	
Milford .....	28	24	72	133 92	Mrs. Robert Johnston.
Sunbeams .....	18			86 00	Miss Gertie Fisher.
Jennie Dean's Girls .....	12		1	9 68	Miss Clara Harper.
Will Whipple Boys .....	14			19 61	Willie A. Crawford.
Sabbath School .....	183			30 00	Miss Minnie Welles.
Mt. Clemens .....	25	5		28 00	Miss Mary E. Forster.
Sabbath School .....	100			5 25	Eddie Culver.
Northville .....	21	4		45 39	Mrs. E. K. Simonds.
Pontiac .....	66			52 96	Mrs. R. J. Lounsbury.
Saline .....					
Southfield .....				18 00	Mrs. W. S. Jeffrey.
South Lyon .....	19	4		10 00	Miss Elvira Blackwood.
Stony Creek .....	13	3	1	21 00	Miss Anna Gardner.
Sabbath School .....				9 00	
Wyandotte .....				5 00	Mrs. P. Lacy.
Ypsilanti .....	98	30	1	221 70	Miss Carrie S. Weed.
Young Ladies' Miss. Circle	25			101 50	Miss Louise S. Richards
Gleaners .....	26		3	33 70	Miss Eunie Lambie.
India Workers .....	22		5	20 00	James C. Fuller.
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<b>PRESBYTERY OF GR'D RAPIDS.</b>					
Mrs. Augustus Marsh, Cadillac, Pres. Pres't; Miss E. L. Cahoon, 193 Front St., Grand Rapids, Sec'y; Mrs J. A. Upton, Big Rapids Treas.					
Cadillac .....	20	6		10 99	Mrs. N. L. Kelley.
Grand Haven .....	48			150 00	Mrs. Wm. M. Ferry.
Mission Band .....				50 00	
Grand Rapids First Church.	27	2		35 08	Miss E. L. Cahoon.
Girls Mission Band .....	14		1		Miss Jennie Emery.
Grand Rapids, Westminster.	43	6	1	60 00	Mrs. A. S. Mussulman.
Sabbath School .....				12 08	
Iconia .....	31			24 00	Mrs. George Cooper.
Muir .....	14	5		5 00	Miss Betsey Pierce.
Wilton Workers .....			5	3 00	Miss Edith M. Shaw.
Evart .....					Mrs. A. H. Brandon.
Total .....	149	19	7	350 15	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF KALAMAZOO.</b>					
Mrs. E. S. Moore, Three Rivers, Pres. Prest.; Mrs. J. A. Ranney, Kalamazoo, Sec'y and Treas.; Mrs. H. M. Dean, Niles, Rec. Sec'y.					
Allegan .....	18	3	3	35 00	Mrs. L. W. Watkins.
Buchanan .....	24		5	18 00	Mrs. Anna Tichenor.
Burr Oak .....	17	1		3 67	Mrs. M. S. Todd.
Constantine .....	27	11	15	66 75	Mrs. H. H. Riley.
Cheerful Givers .....	14			12 50	Miss Lena Bonebright.
Cassopolis .....	12	1		11 60	Mrs. Glover.
Decatur .....	24	4		41 25	Mrs. S. R. Slocum.
Kalamazoo, 1st Church .....	110	14	7	245 00	Miss M. H. Tuthill.
North Church .....	15	4	2	8 50	Mrs. M. B. Anderson.
Female Seminary .....	60	1		52 00	Miss Kate Inglis.
Martin .....	27	3	5	21 00	Miss Jennie Russell.
Niles .....	57	13	11	92 50	Mrs. Harvey Moore.
Paw Paw .....	25			50 00	Mrs. E. J. Harwick.
Plainwell .....					Mrs. L. J. Day.
Richland .....	46	5	7	30 00	Miss Ella Jackson.
Sturgis .....	18	2		26 27	Mrs. R. P. Shaw.
Schoolcraft .....					Mrs. Thomas Smead.

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Three Rivers.....	18	6	...	40 05	Mrs. J. W. Arnold.
White Pigeon.....	...	...	...	10 00	Mrs. H. A. Watson.
	512	71	55	764 09	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF LANSING.</b>					
Mrs. S. H. Preston, Lansing. Pres. Pres't; Mrs. H. C. Adams, North Lansing. Cor. Sec'y; Mrs. E. Vander hart, Albion, Rec. Sec'y; Miss M. O'Donoughue, Al bion, Treas.					
Albion.....	21	1	1	14 00	Miss M. O'Donoughue.
Battle Creek.....	24	6	6	112 00	Mrs. E. A. Tomlinson.
Brooklyn.....	8	5	...	20 00	Mrs. J. B. Whitney.
Diamondale.....	20	1	...	5 68	Mrs. A. C. Baker.
Homer.....	21	6	...	54 00	Mrs. F. H. Mitchell.
Mission Band.....	41	...	9	10 63	Mary E. Harrington.
Hastings.....	10	2	1	8 00	Mrs. J. P. Roberts.
Lansing First Church.....	46	10	...	36 73	Mrs. E. B. Wood.
Franklin St. Church.....	29	3	...	10 00	Mrs. H. C. Adams.
Coral Band.....	40	...	14	36 75	Miss Nellie Lewis.
Sabbath School.....	...	...	...	10 00	
North Lansing Branch.....	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Lester.
Marshall.....	30	2	...	20 00	Mrs. S. V. R. Lepper.
Willing Workers.....	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Sarah Hall.
Sunday School Class.....	18	...	...	...	Miss Lulu Stone.
Mason.....	22	...	...	10 00	Mrs. G. Marshall.
Parma.....	14	...	...	6 50	Mrs. C. Allen.
Tekonsha.....	17	2	...	12 00	Miss Callie Geisel.
Eckford.....	...	...	...	2 00	
	361	38	31	363 29	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF MONROE.</b>					
Mrs. E. B. Moore, Tecumseh. Pres. Pres't; Mrs. H. R. Austin, Monroe, Cor. Sec'y; Mrs. F. E. Eddy, Coldwater, Rec. Sec'y; Mrs. J. P. Ho garth, Monroe, Treas.					
Adrian.....	65	8	2	100 00	Mrs. Byran Shaw.
Y. L. Mis. Society.....	...	...	...	15 00	Miss Lillian E. Wilcox.
S. S. Mis. Society.....	...	...	...	50 00	Miss Fannie Linnell.
California.....	12	1	...	5 00	Mrs. Helen M. Ellis.

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Clayton .....						Mrs. E. T. Swift.
Coldwater .....	60	6			20 00	Mrs. Harriet E. Marshall
Y. L. Mis. Society .....	25					Miss Belle Stevenson.
Boys' Band .....	40					Master Leon Smith.
Erie .....	16	1	1		15 00	Miss May Hall.
Hillsdale .....	50	5	6		75 00	Mrs. H. J. Wheeler.
Y. L. Mis. Society .....					15 00	Miss Mary E. Mott.
Willing Workers .....					12 00	
Jonesville .....	40				39 00	Mrs. J. R. Brentz.
LaSalle .....						Mrs. Charles Hall.
Manchester .....					3 20	Miss Susan M. Marvin.
Monroe .....	49	60	1		97 80	Mrs. J. K. Wilder.
Willing Workers .....						Miss Carrie L. Boyd.
Petersburg .....	10				5 00	Mrs. R. R. Kirby.
Quincy .....	22				42 00	Mrs. D. Laszeleie.
Reading .....	10				5 00	Mrs. H. C. Strong.
Abbie McKee Band .....		1	1		1 00	Miss Hattie Malleray.
Raisin Ch. (Tecumseh) .....	25				11 00	Mrs. S. R. Rogers.
Tecumseh .....	75	11	11		81 00	Mrs. Horatio Keyser.
Y. L. Mis. Society .....	24					Miss Metta McBride.
	569	41	22		589 50	
Home Missions .....						538 96
<b>PRESBYTERY OF SAGINAW.</b>						
Mrs. E. P. Clark, Vassar, Pres.						
Pres't; Mrs. W. S. Greene,						
Saginaw, Cor. Sec'y; Mrs.						
John Weir, East Saginaw,						
Rec. Sec'y; Mrs. J. F.						
Romer, Bay City, Treas.						
Bay City .....	66	18			93 00	Mrs. N. Dunham.
Wight Miss. Band .....	24		12		30 00	Grace Johnson.
Flint .....	100				112 00	Miss Helen V. Walker.
Vassar .....	35	7			35 00	Mrs. W. A. Livingston.
Little Helpers .....	12		4		5 00	Della Haight.
Lapeer .....	40				28 00	Mrs. F. D. Johnson.
Mission Band .....	12				32 00	Edna Houghton.
Port Austin .....	12	4			25 00	Mrs. James Hall.
Cheerful W'kers and Busy						
Bees .....	14		1		13 00	Katie Kerr.
Morrice .....	24				25 00	Mrs. Wm. Morrice.
Corunna .....	12				28 00	Mrs. C. T. Armstrong.
St. Louis .....	12				5 70	Mrs. F. J. Scott.
East Saginaw .....	24				9 00	Mrs. Eliz. Van Fleck.
West Bay City .....	30	11	15		10 00	Miss Caddie Pierce.

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Saginaw City.....	45	20	1	185 00	Mrs. W. S. Greene.
Golden Rule Miss. Band...	20	...	...	60 00	Minnie Cameron.
Cedra.....	9	7	10	5 88	Mrs. J. F. Seeley.
Midland City.....	18	...	...	.....	
Total.....	509	67	43	701 53	

### MINNESOTA.

MRS. C. O. VAN CLEVE, Minneapolis, Synodical President.

MRS. J. R. HALL, 1810 6th Ave., South, Minneapolis, Synodical Secretary.

<b>GRAND FORKS PRESBYTERY.</b>					
Mekinock Church.....	18	5	...	20 00	Mrs. C. H. Cooper.
The Gardeners.....	15	...	...	20 00	Miss Loville Ward.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF MANKATO.</b>					
Mrs. C. A. Chapman, St. Peters, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. J. C. Donahower, St. Peter Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Mankato.....	38	5	...	60 00	Mrs. R. H. Rose.
Young Ladies Society...	...	...	...	15 00	Miss Kittie Weaver.
Amboy.....	...	...	...	4 00	Mrs. J. B. Ratcliffe.
Winnebago City.....	18	3	...	7 00	Mrs. M. J. Welsh.
Young Ladies Auxiliary...	...	...	...	...	Miss Della Wright.
Wells.....	13	...	...	6 00	Miss A. M. Leavitt.
Juvenile Band.....	12	...	...	8 00	Miss Lizza McClelland.
Madelia.....	8	2	2	2 40	Mrs. Cooley.
Sunday School Band.....	...	...	1	...	Mrs. Cooley.
Mrs. Bradford's S. S. Class	...	...	...	1 25	
Blue Earth City.....	14	1	30	21 55	Mrs. Samuel H. Murphy.
S. S. Mission Band.....	...	...	...	22 77	Miss Ella Jackson.
Kasota.....	7	...	...	4 00	Mrs. E. C. Payne.
Worthington.....	6	3	5	5 00	Mrs. Dr. J. Croft.
LeSueur.....	19	6	8	35 00	Miss Hattie K. Snow.
St. Peter.....	30	11	4	26 12	Mrs. J. C. Donahower.
Young Ladies Society...	11	...	...	27 00	Miss Kate Donahower.
Bee Hive Band.....	10	...	...	5 00	Mrs. A. C. Chase.
Sunday School Band.....	190	...	...	5 57	Miss Effie Hargis.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF RED RIVER.</b>					
Mrs. L. L. Newell, Fargo, Pres Sec'y and Treas.					
Fergus Falls.....	15	7	...	27 30	Mrs. C. J. Wright.
Casselton.....	...	7	...	...	
Fargo.....	24	8	1	170 00	Mrs. E. F. Vail.

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Moorehead .....	15			29 32	Mrs. B. E. Franklin.
Bismarck .....				7 00	
PRESBYTERY OF ST. PAUL.					
Mrs. W. M. Tenney, Minncapolis, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs R. P. Lewis, St. Paul, Pres. Treas.					
Bloomington .....	18	3			Mrs. R. A. Goodrich.
Duluth .....	25	12	5	35 00	Mrs. George Kimberly.
Faithful Workers .....				25 00	Miss Fannie Mattocks.
Rice's Point Bassett Band .....		1	1	16 80	Mrs. J. A. Laurie.
St. Paul Central Ch. ....	3	6	26	70 00	Miss M. L. Ogden.
Young Ladies' Miss. Band .....	17			43 00	Miss Kate Campbell.
First Church .....	25	9	4	77 80	Miss L. Dugan.
Antioch Band .....		3		108 00	Miss Mary Simons.
House of Hope Ch. ....	38	13	8	107 00	Mrs. J. Lambie.
Young Ladies' Branch .....	12			17 83	Miss Virginia Taylor.
Dayton Avenue Ch. ....	27	18	11	90 00	Mrs. E. S. Lee.
White Bear, Willing Workers .....	8	1	1		Mrs. J. Getty.
Minneapolis, Westminster Ch. ....	75	33	16	311 00	Mrs. E. F. Pomeroy.
Young Ladies' Society .....	65			30 00	Miss Belle Goodenow.
Pearl Gatherers .....				7 50	Mrs. E. F. Pomeroy.
Lyndale S. S. Mission .....				11 50	George Fiske.
First Ch. ....	89	13	5	217 70	Mrs. John Hall.
Merry Gleaners .....	12			75 00	Miss Fannie Barbour.
Andrew Ch. ....	26	4	25	203 36	Miss Holt.
Sabbath School .....				47 01	Miss Grace F. Chute.
Franklin Avenue Ch. ....	22	3	1	15 00	Mrs. D. E. Wells.
St. Cloud .....	10			82 60	Mrs. M. E. Ketcham.
Sabbath School .....				25 00	
Red Wing .....	55			68 50	Mrs. B. Densmore.
Busy Bees .....	20			2 00	Miss Edna Rice.
Stillwater .....	10	6	2	36 62	Mrs. W. S. Goodhuc.
Hastings .....	22	4		22 78	Mrs. A. B. Chapin.
Volunteer Mission Band .....	7			25 00	Miss R. M. Allison.
Sowers of Good Seed .....				25 00	Pearl McDonald.
Sabbath School .....				8 92	Miss Lizzie Telford.
Taylor's Falls .....	22			20 00	Miss M. H. Owens.
Litchfield .....	15	1	1	19 10	Mrs. J. S. Sherrill.
Mission Band .....				1 31	Miss Susie Cathcart.
Pine City .....	7	6	7	13 00	Mrs. W. S. Brackett.
St. Croix Falls .....				4 00	
PRESBYTERY OF WINONA.					
Mrs. Wilson Holt, Owatonna, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. J. J. Ward, Kasson, Sec'y and Treas.					
Chatfield .....	20	6		79 31	Miss E. A. Knight.

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Kasson .....	6	2	...	12 35	Mrs. J. J. Ward.
LeRoy .....	...	...	...	24 20	Mrs. D. S. McConnell.
Sabbath School .....	...	...	...	3 50	
Owatonna .....	18	5	...	10 00	Mrs. Wilson Holt.
Nan Intah Band .....	15	...	...	25 00	Miss May Holt.
Rochester .....	25	9	5	35 39	Mrs. Frances Cook.
Downing Band .....	40	...	5	37 30	Miss Nellie Hampton.
Winona .....	17	2	...	30 95	Mrs. J.W. Thomas, Treas
Sabbath School .....	...	...	...	25 00	
Albert Lea .....	45	2	2	25 00	Mrs. G. O. Sunby.
Earnest Workers .....	72	...	2	27 00	Miss C. L. Abbott.
Value of box to Laos school.	...	...	...	3 00	
Value of box to H. Missions.	...	...	...	5 00	

## NEBRASKA.

MRS. M. K. ROBINSON, St. Paul, Synodical President.

MRS. LUTHER HOADLEY, Brownville, Synodical Secretary.

<b>PRESBYTERY OF HASTINGS.</b>					
Mrs. S. T. Pomeroy, Edgar, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. S. P. Tuttle, Meridian, Sec'y; Mrs. M. E. Byram, Edgar, Treas.					
Edgar .....	...	...	...	9 80	Mrs. S. T. Pomeroy.
Cheerful Workers .....	...	...	...	5 00	
Hastings .....	13	...	...	5 00	Mrs. L. A. Remer.
Cheerful Workers .....	...	...	...	18 60	Miss Belle Clark.
Beaver City, Bushnell Band .....	...	...	...	30 00	Mrs. H. K. Bushnell.
Hansen .....	...	...	...	1 25	Mrs. E. M. McCullem.
Nelson .....	...	...	...	11 40	Mrs. H. M. Corbett.
Glenville .....	...	...	...	...	Miss Adda Dell. Smith.
Spring Rancho .....	...	...	...	...	Miss Delia Evans.
Red Cloud .....	...	...	...	2 50	
Ayr .....	...	...	...	2 00	
Indianola .....	...	...	...	60 00	
Total .....	18	...	...	145 55	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF KEARNEY.</b>					
Mrs. G. T. Crissman, Kearney. Pres. Pres't; Mrs. T. R. Wallace, St. Paul, Sec.: Mrs. J. P. Kernohan, Grand Island, Treas.					
Grand Island .....	...	...	...	5 00	Mrs. J. P. Kernohan.

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North Platte.....	8	1	...	28 55	Miss M. S. Honn.
Willing Workers.....	11	...	...	20 00	
Kearney.....	30	5	6	19 50	Mrs. Sue Hurlbut.
St. Paul.....	8	...	...	10 50	Mrs. T. R. Wallace.
Total.....	57	6	6	83 55	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF NEBRASKA CITY.</b>					
Mrs. A. F. Randolph, Fairbury, Pres. Pres't.; Miss Lizzie W. Irwin, Lincoln, Sec'y; Mrs. Thos. Pollock, Plattsmouth, Treas.					
Tecumseh.....	12	5	12	23 00	Mrs. L. W. McCloskey.
Prairie Gleaners.....	12	...	12	.....	Miss Mary McCutcheon.
Seward.....	17	4	...	6 00	Mrs. A. Bemis.
Fairmount.....	15	...	...	8 00	Mrs. C. B. Webber.
Plattsmouth.....	18	3	...	69 50	Mrs. J. T. Baird.
Dew Drops.....	...	...	16	37 65	
Beatrice.....	21	6	2	33 00	Mrs. A. Hardy.
Mission Band.....	...	...	...	.....	Stella Reynolds.
Humboldt.....	15	4	30	8 50	Mrs. M. W. Gardner.
Nebraska City.....	17	10	...	36 60	Mrs. A. S. Cole.
Brownville.....	24	2	...	65 85	Mrs. W. H. McCreey.
Sabbath School.....	...	...	...	20 00	
York.....	16	3	...	15 30	Mrs. C. Langworthy.
Fairbury.....	...	...	...	12 50	Mrs. Lizzie Price.
Alexandria.....	...	...	...	9 00	Mrs. Chas. Bronillette.
Falls City.....	...	...	...	6 00	Mrs. Ruil Nims.
South Auburn.....	...	...	...	1 75	Mrs. Mary Dillon.
Meridian.....	...	...	...	2 00	
Pawnee City.....	...	...	...	17 53	Mrs. W. Chesnut.
Mission Band.....	...	...	...	21 00	
Lincoln.....	...	...	...	154 50	Miss Lizzie W. Irwin.
Benevolent Band.....	...	...	...	30 00	Clinton Andrews.
Summit.....	...	...	...	3 00	
Wahoo, Marietta Ch.....	...	...	...	.....	Miss Nellie Kempton.
Salem.....	...	...	...	.....	Mrs. J. Hearst.
Blue Springs.....	...	...	...	.....	Mrs. Jennie Pryse.
	157	37	72	580 68	



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<b>PRESBYTERY OF OMAHA.</b>					
Mrs. P. L. Perrine, Omaha, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. A. P. Nicholas, Omaha, Sec'y; Mrs. J. C. Denise, Omaha, Treas.					
Bellevue .....	7	2	...	5 00	Mrs. Anna W. Thompson
Creston .....	13	1	5	38 00	Mrs. Sarah D. Anderman
Madison .....	7	2	...	...	Miss Edna Church.
Oakdale .....	8	1	6	10 00	Mrs. S. E. Taylor.
Omaha 2d Church.....	34	4	...	105 45	Mrs. Hattie E. Collier.
"Western Lights," Y.L. B'd	13	1	...	29 60	Miss Ella Bracken.
Sabbath School.....	225	...	28	25 00	O. N. Robinson.
Workers for Heathen W'n.	19	4	...	78 05	Mrs. W. G. Maul.
Papillion .....	9	1	1	8 50	Miss Mittie Riale.
Ponca .....	13	...	...	...	Mrs. O. Sullenberger.
Silver Ridge .....	6	3	...	6 00	Miss Eva C. Hines.
Mission Band .....	17	...	5	16 00	Miss Anna L. Clark.
Schuyler.....	19	1	...	13 00	Mrs. J. A. Hood.
Tekamah .....	...	...	...	8 50	Mrs. A. F. White.
Silver Creek.....	...	...	...	5 00	
St. Helena .....	...	...	...	20 00	
Total .....	390	20	45	368 10	

**OHIO.**

Mrs. C. C. DOOLITTLE, Toledo, Secretary.

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<b>PRESBYTERY OF BELLEFONTAINE.</b>					
Mrs. Robert Sanders, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. E. P. Holmes, Galion, Cor. Sec'y; Miss Lizzie Rubens, Marseilles, Rec. Sec'y; Mrs. J. M. Rid- dle, Bellefontaine, Treas.					
Urbana .....	65	21	...	102 00	Mrs. S. Wood.
A-Handful-of-Corn Band...	25	...	11	12 60	Miss L. N. Tappan.
Crestline.....	26	...	1	30 06	Mrs. J. E. Zink.
Young Folks Mission Band	30	...	...	16 00	Willie B. Robinson.

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Rushsylvania.....	16			44 00	Mrs. T. A. Carson.
Buck Creek (Urbana).....	25			25 00	Mrs. Thomas Rawlings.
Upper Sandusky.....	24	6		10 25	Mrs. J. C. Drum.
Bucyrus.....	20			85 00	Mrs. C. S. Munson.
Marseilles.....	44	10	5	50 00	Mrs. S. A. Kimble.
Band.....	33				Phronie Bowers.
Nevada.....	15	3		5 00	Miss Adah Bachtell.
Bellefontaine.....	50			75 00	Mrs. E. J. Howenstine.
Sunday School.....	55		14	34 20	Miss Emma Beers.
Kenton.....	37	5		34 59	Mrs. A. C. McCurdy.
Sunday School Band.....					Harry Snodgrass.
Spring Hills.....	13			15 65	Miss Olive Flangher.
Forest.....	26	4	7	35 26	Mrs. T. B. Wenner.
Workers for Jeaus.....				2 74	Hattie Harmon.
Galion.....	41			72 25	Mrs. E. P. Holmes.
Huntsville.....	10			6 00	
West Liberty.....	33			18 50	Miss Mamie Drake.
Belle Center.....					Miss Annie Loughlin.
De Graff.....					Miss Sallie M. Steele.
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>674 10</b>	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF HURON.</b>					
Mrs. C. K. Smoyer, Elmore, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. N. C. West, Fremont, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. J. E. Wilkinson, Fos- toria, Pres. Treas.					
Bloomville.....	21	2	1	50 00	Mrs. M. E. Farnsworth.
Earnest Workers.....				11 95	Gertie Blaney.
Sandusky.....	38	4		55 16	Mrs. A. K. West.
Fostoria.....	50	10	3	60 00	Mrs. Wm. M. Day.
Doolittle Band.....				25 00	Miss Laura DeWolfe.
Norwalk.....	38	9		43 40	Mrs. J. D. Williamson.
S. S. Mission Band.....	189		50	110 00	Miss M. S. Newton.
Tiffin.....	16	2		14 47	Mrs. M. J. Seaman.
Little Gleaners.....				40 00	Mrs. S. B. Sneath.
Fremont.....	46	7	3	63 73	Mrs. G. G. Edgerton.
Do-Something Band.....				40 38	Miss Julia Miller.
Elmore.....	16	1		15 00	Mrs. Henry Moore.
Huron.....	17	2		45 00	Mrs. J. P. Esch.
Peru.....	12			10 00	Mrs. Alonzo Lawrence.
Monroeville.....	17	5	7	15 00	Mrs. C. W. Smith.
Band.....					Miss Maud Squirs.
Milan.....	16	3		30 00	
Clyde.....	8			2 50	Miss Maggie Evans.
Amaranthe Band.....				2 46	Mattie Hughes.
Greytown.....					

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<b>PRESBYTERY OF LIMA.</b>					
Mrs. J. W. Holmes, Lima, Pres. Pres't; Miss Jennie Murray, Sidney, Sec'y; Mrs. R. McCaslin, Sidney, Treas.					
Ada .....	25	5	...	58 50	Mrs. P. W. Ream.
Columbus Grove .....				12 00	Mrs. E. Eakin.
Willing Workers for Jesus.				4 54	Miss Nettie Eakin.
Delphos .....	26	3	13	42 21	Mrs. W. H. Fuller.
Findlay .....	56	5	...	16 00	Mrs. J. A. Bope.
Circle .....	75	5	...	48 00	Miss Fannie Powell.
Mt. Jefferson (Houston) .....	8	1	...	3 00	Miss Lettie Skillen.
Hardin .....	14			10 00	Miss Sallie J. Ewing.
Lima .....		2		111 28	Mrs. J. R. Hughes.
Sunday School .....				50 00	
Ottawa .....					
St. Mary's .....				27 50	Miss Nettie Simpson.
Mrs. S. K. Jay's S. S. Class				75	
Sidney .....	50	3	...	54 85	Mrs. G. B. Driscoll.
Loring Band .....				22 00	Mr. John Stuber.
Van Wert .....		1	5	20 03	Miss Ella Alexander.
Helping Hands .....	28			3 07	Mrs. L. H. Hopkins.
McComb .....				6 00	Mrs. M. J. Turner.
Wapakoneta .....	12	1	3	12 50	Miss Laura Craig.
Home Missions .....				47 00	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF MAUMEE.</b>					
Mrs. M. F. Wiggins, Bowl- ing Green, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. E. W. Merry, Bowling Green, Sec'y; Mrs. S. L. Boughton, Bowling Green, Treas.					
Toledo Westminster Ch .....	45			50 00	Mrs. M. A. Cochran.
Young Ladies' Band .....				25 00	Miss Hattie Chase.
Busy Bees .....	40			40 00	Miss Addie Bond.
First Church .....	36	9	1	78 55	Mrs. H. N. Adams.
Livingstone Band .....	60			75 00	Miss Lily Lang.
Junior Livingstone Band .....				9 63	
Third Church .....	25	3	7	12 00	Miss Ida Torrence.
Mary Campbell Band .....	12			13 00	Miss Minnie Bork.
South Toledo .....	9				Mrs. S. E. Gunn.
Defiance .....	35	3	1	92 96	Mrs. J. W. Peterson.
Willing Hearts Band .....	52			61 63	Miss Minnie E. Hooker.
Paulding .....	10	1	1	9 15	Mrs. A. Durfey.
Armor Bearers .....					

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Tontogony .....	42	2	...	45 00	Mrs. A. Merkley.
Sabbath School .....					
Hicksville .....	11	5	...	15 00	Mrs. Ella Higgins.
Willing Workers .....					
Bowling Green .....	27	1	...	10 00	Mrs. J. O. Troup.
Willing Workers .....	40	...	11	52 00	Alvin M. Higgins.
West Unity .....	10	...	...	49 50	Miss Hattie Hughes.
Little Workers .....	15	...	...	17 00	Miss Mary Harmer.
Mt. Salem Church .....				4 00	Mrs. S. H. Persing.]
Madison Church .....				8 00	Miss Hattie Hughes.
Bryan .....	85	1	18	48 62	Mrs. S. C. Kelly.
Helena Band .....					
Young Ladies' Circle .....					
West Bethesda Church .....					
Perrysburg First Church .....	15	1	1	16 00	Mrs. A. Cook.
Mission Gleaners .....	52	...	1	11 88	Miss Eva Rheinfrank.
Walnut St. Church .....	14	...	...	15 50	Mrs. J. Davis.
Faithful Workers .....	44	...	12	12 23	Miss A. M. Trowbridge.
Weston .....	33	5	...	5 00	Miss Mary M. Todd.
Pleasant Ridge .....	9	1	...	1 00	Mrs. R. Tyler.
Christ's Messengers .....					
Farmer's Center, Lost Creek Church .....	26	...	...	30 00	Miss S. Worthington.
Grand Rapids .....	27	...	...	6 00	Mrs. G. P. Hinsdale.
Mary Workman Band .....	9	...	5	35	Miss Nellie Chapman.
Spring Lake, Eagle Cr'k Ch. Delta .....	19	...	...	12 00	Mrs. Isabel Smith.
Pemberville .....	19	1	...	10 00	Mrs. Charles Cullen.
Edna Cole Band .....	41	...	1	16 72	James E. Lake.
Milo .....				30 00	
Total .....	812	30	54	882 75	
Home Missions .....				68 28	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>					
Oxford Western Fem. Sem'y. Granville .....	180	...	...	532 85	Miss Alice W. Milligan.
		10	...	72 31	Mrs. Emma K. Little.

**WISCONSIN.**

MRS. S. S. MERRILL, Milwaukee, Synodical President.

MRS. S. F. BACON, Oshkosh, Vice-President.

MRS. A. H. VEDDER, 199 Tenth St., Milwaukee, Corresponding Sec'y.

MISS MARY W. CANDEE, 540 Cass St., Milwaukee, Recording Sec'y.

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<b>PRESBYTERY OF CHIPPEWA.</b>					
Mrs. H. B. Smith, LaCrosse, Pres. Pres't; Mrs. S. R. Lapham, LaCrosse, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
LaCrosse First Church.....	15			81 56	Mrs. S. R. Lapham.
Special gift—China.....				10 00	
West Salem Neshonac Ch...	10			10 00	Miss Lettie Read.
Sechlerville Hixon Church..	9			9 61	Mrs. J. B. Lowe.
Galesville.....	10			9 10	Mrs. W. A. Johnston.
Neillsville.....					Mrs. S. F. Joseph.
Hudson.....	5			14 00	Miss Ella C. Andrews.
Baldwin Miss. Sewing Circle.				69 00	
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>49</b>			<b>153 27</b>	
Home Missions.....				7 00	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF LAKE SUPERIOR.</b>					
Mrs. H. W. Bill, Menominee, Mich., Pres. Pres't; Mrs. E. M. Somerville, Menominee, Pres. Sec'y and Treas.					
Florence, Wis.....	10	6	5	12 00	Mrs. W. A. Whittlesey.
Sunday School Miss'n B'nd					Mrs. W. A. Whittlesey.
Ishpeming, Mich.....	25	4	9	122 17	Mrs. A. F. Ashley.
Marquette, Mich.....	60	6	1	196 00	Mrs. F. Milligan.
Sunday School Miss'n B'nd	36			12 00	Mrs. H. S. Taft.
Marinette, Wis.....	36			27 00	Mrs. S. E. Payne.
Menominee, Mich.....	31	12	5	72 36	Mrs. Wm. Somerville.
Young Ladies Miss'n Soc.	20			4 85	Miss Frances Brooks.
Ford River, Mich.....	15	1		12 00	Miss G. E. Helps.
Oconto, Wis.....	65	15		30 00	Mrs. Wm. H. Smith.
Sunday School Miss'n B'nd				4 00	Mrs. Wm. H. Smith.
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>298</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>492 38</b>	
Home Missions.....				87 00	

NAME OF SOCIETY AND BAND.	No. of Members	Wom. W'k Taken	Child. W'k Taken	Amount Contributed.	NAME OF SECRETARY.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF MILWAUKEE.</b>					
Mrs. E. C. White, Waukesha. Pres. Sec'y; Miss Grace T. Dey, Waukesha, Pres. Treas.					
Beloit .....	20	8	5	20 00	Mrs. Fred. Messer.
Sabbath School Band .....				41 35	Mrs. Fred. Messer.
Janesville .....	12			15 82	Mrs. Edward Ruger.
Somers .....	9			14 00	Miss Nettie Dougherty
Sabbath School Band .....				6 00	Miss Nettie Dougherty.
Lima Centre .....	15	3	5	14 50	Miss Lizzie McCartney.
Boardman Band .....	39	2	12	14 10	Miss Mary Alexander.
Geneva, "Starry Lights" Band	80			28 65	Miss Kittie W. Case.
Milwaukee, Immanuel Ch. . . .	54	19	11	507 45	Miss Mary W. Candee.
Young Ladies' Society . . . .	18			90 00	Miss Florence James.
Sabbath School .....	295			25 00	F. G. Underwood.
Home Band .....	6			7 00	Mrs. Wm. S. Candee.
Calvary Church .....	48			209 75	Mrs. A. H. Vedder.
First Wisconsin Volunteers Sabbath School Band .....	190			50 00	Miss Fannie Cleaver.
Perseverance Ch. ....				5 00	Miss Clara Post.
Waukesha .....	22	1	1	33 75	Mrs. E. C. White.
Sabbath School Band .....				22 77	Miss Hannah Williams.
Ottawa .....	6	1	1	8 05	Miss Gussie A. Stewart.
Manitowoc .....	10			7 50	Miss Hattie E. Bacon.
Stone Bank .....	7				Mrs. J. Whittaker.
Cambridge .....					Miss Sarah Pollock.
Brodhead .....	7				Mrs. G. E. Beebe.
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1120 69</b>	
Home Missions—Cash .....				793 21	
Boxes .....				668 14	
<b>PRESBYTERY OF WINNEBAGO.</b>					
Mrs. J. E. Chapin, Neenah. Pres. Pres't; Mrs. M. P. Proctor, Neenah, Pres. Sec. and Treas.					
Stevens Points .....	24	7	8	26 00	Miss Jennie B. Patch.
S. S. Mission Band .....					Miss Dollie Chandler.
Fond du Lac .....	21	4	6	25 07	Mrs. A. L. Hoyt.
Benita Band .....	40			30 00	Miss Ora Allen.
Appleton .....	30	6	6	15 00	Mrs. T. D. Kanouse.
S. S. Mission Band .....					Mrs. T. D. Kanouse.
Omro .....	14			12 50	Miss Hattie E. Wood.
Willing Workers S. S. Band				9 45	Miss Hattie E. Wood.

NAME OF SOCIETY AND BANDS.	No. of Members.	Wom. W'k Taken.	Child. W'k Taken.	Amount Contributed.	NAME OF SECRETARY.
Oshkosh .....				21 50	Miss M. E. Murdock.
Ripon .....					Mrs. John E. Moores.
S. S. Mission Band.....	90	1	21	11 00	Mrs. John E. Moores.
Neenah Wom. Christ'n Ass'n	40	11	5	111 00	Mrs. M. P. Proctor.
Sabbath School Band.....					Mrs. M. P. Proctor.
Wausau .....					Mrs. H. P. Maynard.
Total .....	259	29	46	261 52	
Home Missions:					
Cash.....				\$448 11	
Boxes.....				156 53	
PRESBYTERY OF WISCONSIN RIVER.					
Mrs. D. H. Tullis, Madison, Pres. Sec'y; Mrs. L. C. Mears, Pres. Treas.					
Baraboo .....	20	2		15 17	Miss Eliza Chapman.
Belleville .....	25	1		14 12	Mrs. Myra Christler.
Kilbourn City.....	18	2	3	33 00	Mrs. C. W. Snyder.
Lodi.....				14 63	Mrs. S. G. Andrews.
Little Gleaners.....					Miss Mary Yopp.
Lowville .....	20	1		24 00	Mrs. D. C. Johnson.
Mineral Point.....	20			6 50	Miss Sarah Bassett.
Madison .....	33	10	3	79 00	Mrs. D. H. Tullis.
Sunday School Band, or gan for Odanah.....				30 00	Mrs. D. H. Tullis.
Child. B'nd, Loving Wrkrs	15			14 00	Miss Annie Chapman.
Mary Campbell Band.....	18			50 00	Miss Mary Henry.
Oregon .....	12			7 00	Mrs. H. B. Richards.
Poynette .....	13	1		9 60	Mrs. L. E. Russell.
Box for Indian School .....				24 00	
Prairie du Sac.....	20	2	3	36 00	Miss Jennie Baker.
Cheerful Workers .....				25 00	Miss Helen Conger.
Verona .....	14			6 05	Mrs. James Gray.
Beaver Dam .....					Miss Emma J. Aikens.
Fannie Cundall Band.....				3 00	Miss Genev'e Chandler.
Portage City .....	16			20 00	Miss Katie Kennedy.
Reedsburg .....	7			4 20	Mrs. A. L. Harris.
Pardeeville .....				1 00	
Merrimac.....				1 00	Mrs. Fitch.
Total.....	219	19	9	417 27	
Home Missions, Cosh .....				295 66	
Boxes.....				265 92	

**KANSAS.**

NAME OF SOCIETY AND BANDS.	No. of Members.	Wom. W'k Taken.	Child. W'k Taken.	Amount Contributed.	NAME OF SECRETARY.
<b>PRESBYTERY OF EMPORIA.</b>					
Mrs. E. H. Hoag, Newton. Pres. Sec'y.					
Arkansas City.....	15	8	...	11 00	Mrs. M. B. Houghton.
Belle Plaine.....	12	1	...	11 52	Miss M. M. Thompson.
Caldwell.....	10	9	...	9 60	Mrs. C. R. Hume.
Eldorado.....	10	...	13	10 00	Mrs. J. H. Ewing.
Florence.....	11	1	...	4 50	Mrs. H. P. Martin.
Indianola.....	8	3	5	4 63	Mrs. M. L. McGlade.
Marion.....					Miss Anna Haniford.
Newton.....	30	17	6	37 50	Mrs. J. I. Reed.
Peabody.....	32	5	...	41 00	Mrs. L. A. Buck.
Winfield.....	34	3	2	65 72	Mrs. F. E. Curns.
Wellington.....	14	6	1	8 25	Mrs. E. B. Carter.
<b>Sabbath Schools:</b>					
Caldwell.....				1 25	
Newton.....				30 00	
Winfield.....				9 12	
The following H. M. money has been sent through your Board:					
Newton.....				12 50	
Belle Plaine.....				11 52	
Indianola.....				4 63	
Winfield.....				29 00	
Wellington.....				8 25	

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

Eugene, Oregon....	16	4	5	45 50	Mrs. N. M. Geary.
Gleaners .....	20	...	6	.....	Leathe McCornack.
Independence, Mo.....	15	3	...	110 00	Mrs. Maggie Parker.
Fort Scott, Kansas.....	9	17	...	19 00	Miss A. R. Ferguson.
Willing Workers.....	16	...	...	8 82	Miss Allie Porter.
Burrton, Kansas.....	25	6	15	31 80	Mrs. D. Kingery.
Burrton Home Mis.....				16 00	



## MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S PRESBYTERIAN

Date of app'nt- ment.	NAME.	STATION.
1876.	Mrs. W. J. McKee	Ningpo, China
1860.	Mrs. J. M. W. Farnham	Shanghai, China
1873.	Mrs. W. S. Holt	Shanghai, China
1882.	Miss Lizzie S. Farnham	Shanghai, China
1875.	Mrs. Hunter Corbett	Chefoo, China
1878.	Miss Jennie Anderson	Chefoo, China
1866.	Mrs. J. A. Leyenberger	Chefoo, China
1881.	Mrs. Robert Mather	Weh Hien, China
1882.	Mrs. J. Newton Hayes	Tungchow, China
1878.	Mrs. Thos C. Winn	Kanazawa, Japan
1883.	Miss Sarah K. Cummings, M. D.	Kanazawa, Japan
1882.	Miss Mary K. Hesser	Osaka, Japan
1882.	Miss A. E. Garvin	Osaka, Japan
1873.	Mrs. Mary Warren	Morar Gwalior, India
1869.	Mrs. A. P. Kelso	Lahore, India
1871.	Mrs. J. J. Lucas	Mainpurie, India
1869.	Mrs. Geo. S. Bergen	Ambala, India
1877.	*Mrs. W. J. P. Morrison	Saharanpur, India
1880.	Miss Esther E. Patton	Ratnagiri, India
1873.	Miss Mary E. Pratt	Ambala, India
1881.	Miss Margaret M. Given	Rawal Pindi, India
1881.	Miss Carrie Downs	Rawal Pindi, India
1882.	Miss L. M. Pendleton	Dehra, India
1871.	Miss Mary Jewett	Tabriz, Persia
1876.	*Mrs. L. C. Van Hook	Tabriz, Persia
1830.	Miss Mary A. Clark	Tabriz, Persia
1874.	Mrs. G. W. Holmes	Tabriz, Persia
1860.	Miss N. Jennie Dean	Oroomiah, Persia
1880.	Miss Agnes Cary	Oroomiah, Persia
1875.	Miss Sarah Bassett	Teheran, Persia
1882.	Mrs. E. W. Alexander	Hamadan, Persia
1879.	Miss Mary E. Hartwell	Bangkok, Siam
1880.	Miss Laura A. Olmstead	Bangkok, Siam
1866.	*Mrs. Jonathan Wilson	Chieng Mai, N. Siam
1882.	Miss Antonette Warner	Chieng Mai, N. Siam
1882.	Miss Florence Wishard	Chieng Mai, N. Siam
1882.	Miss Sarah C. Wirt	Chieng Mai, N. Siam
1879.	Miss Susie H. Calhoun	Shwiefat, Syria
1876.	Miss Eva DaGama	Rio Claro, Brazil
1881.	Mrs. J. F. Houston	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
1880.	Mrs. Graham C. Campbell	Baraka Gaboon, West Africa
1882.	Miss Mary L. Harding	Kangwe, West Africa
1879.	Miss Mary E. Cochrane	Monterey, Mexico
1881.	Miss Margaret C. Fetter	Omaha Agency, Neb.
1873.	Miss Susie Dougherty	Odanah, Wis.
1879.	Miss Marion MacClarry	Ashland, Wis.
1850.	Mrs. A. E. W. Robertson	Tullahassee, Ind. Ter.
1883.	Mrs. M. E. Chapin	Poplar Creek Agency, Mon.

\*In this country.

# BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE NORTHWEST.

ADOPTED BY	Salary.	Home at time of leaving.
Monroe Pres. Soc. and Kalamazoo	\$400	Marshall, Mich.
W. M. S., Ft. Wayne, Ind.	400	New Castle, England.
Auxiliaries in Minnesota	400	Rochester, N. Y.
W. M. S., First Ch., Springfield, Ill.	350	Oxford, Ohio.
Springfield (Ill.) Presbyterial Society	400	Lawrenceville, Pa.
W. M. S., Fourth Ch., Chicago, Ill.	500	Washington, Iowa.
General Fund	409	Ohio.
W. M. S., Westminster Ch., Minneapolis	400	Minneapolis, Minn.
Lansing and Saginaw Pres. Societies	400	Michigan.
W. M. S., Galesburg, Ill.	400	Galesburg, Ill.
Y. L. S., First Ch., Chicago, Ill.	600	Chicago, Ill.
Culbertson Memorial Fund	600	Oxford, O.
Whitewater Pres. Soc., Ind.	600	Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Auxiliaries in Indiana	500	Flora, Ill.
W. M. S., Third Church, Chicago	400	India.
Union Miss. Societies, Detroit	400	Boltonville, Vt.
Indianapolis Pres. Society	400	Quincy, Ill.
W. M. S., New Albany, Ind.	400	India.
W. M. S., Fort St. Ch., Det., & Monroe P.S.	500	Hillsdale, Mich.
Pres. Soc. Auxiliaries in Iowa	500	Waterloo, Iowa.
Chicago Pres. Society	500	Chicago, Ill.
Sixth and Jeff. Park Churches, Chicago	500	Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Z. Chandler, Detroit, Mich.	500	Chenoa, Ill.
Auxiliaries in Iowa	400	S. Charleston, Ohio.
W. M. S., First Church, Indianapolis	400	Albion, Iowa.
W. M. S., Second Church, Indianapolis	400	Baxter Springs, Kan.
General Fund	300	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
W. M. S., Ypsilanti, Mich.	360	Northville, Mich.
Syn. Soc. of Nebraska	360	Delphi, Ind.
Y. L. S., Fort St. Ch., Detroit, Mich.	400	Crawfordsville, Ind.
General Fund	300	Neoga, Ill.
Bellefontaine Pres. Soc.	450	Oxford, Ohio.
W. M. S., Third Church, Chicago	450	Southport, Ind.
Detroit Pres. Society	350	McKeesport, Ind.
New Albany Pres. Society	450	Fulton, Kansas.
Fifth and Eighth Chs., Chicago, Ill.	450	Chicago, Ill.
W. M. S., Hyde Park, Ill.	450	Chicago, Ill.
Synodical Society of Illinois	300	Williamstown, Mass.
General Fund	350	Rio Claro, Brazil.
Madame W. H. Ferry, Lake Forest, Ill.	300	Jacksonville, Ill.
Synodical Society of Minnesota	300	Monticello, Minn.
Mrs. Z. Chandler, Detroit, Mich.	350	Detroit, Mich.
Des Moines Pres. Society, Iowa	500	Davenport, Iowa.
Maumee Pres. Society, Ohio	250	Muscatine, Iowa.
Synodical Society of Wisconsin	250	Somers, Wis.
Chicago Pres. Society	400	Englewood, Ill.
Huron Pres. Society, Ohio	200	Creek Nation, I. T.
Synodical Society of Minnesota	200	Mitchell, Dakota.

## SPECIAL OBJECTS.

### NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS.

Work among the Creeks.....	\$30 45	S. S. Greensburg, Ind.
“ “ “ “ .....	6 00	Sunday School Fairfield, Ia.
Work at Omaha Agency.....	25 00	Armor Bearers, Princet'n Ind.

### GIFTS FOR SAC AND FOX MISSION.

Burlington, Ia., Woman's Mission Society.....		14 50
Fairfield, “ “ “ “ .....		20 86
Independence, Ia., “ “ “ “ .....		5 00
Washington “ “ “ “ .....		9 20

## MEXICO.

### SCHOOL AT ZACATECAS—COST, EACH, \$50.

1 Share.....	
2 “ .....	
3 “ .....	
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Boarding School at Monterey, under Miss Cochrane, each \$50.

NO.

SUPPORTED BY

1.....	White Pigeon, Mich.
2.....	L. M. Society, Council Bluffs, Iowa.
3.....	Y. L. M. Society, Ferry Hall, Lake Forest, Ill.
4.....	Sabbath School, Elkhart, Ind.
5.....	W. M. S., Ann Arbor, Mich.
6.....	Willing Workers, Ann Arbor, Mich.
7.....	W. M. S., Carlinville, Ill.
8.....	W. M. S., 12th Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
9.....	Young People's Society, Highland Park, Ill.
10.....	

## GIFTS FOR MEXICO CITY BUILDING.

Brunswick, Ill., Women's Missionary Society.....	1 50
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St. Church, W. M. S.....	60 00
Detroit, Mich., Westminster Church, W. M. S.....	50 00
Bowling Green, O., W. M. S.....	5 00
“ “ “ Willing Workers .....	26 00
Oconto, Wis., Sunday School Class.....	5 00

**SOUTH AMERICA.**

## BRAZIL.

LOCATION.	SUPPORTED BY
School at Pirassanungo, \$390....	{ First Church, Joliet, Ill. Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.
School at Limeria, \$225.....	{ Champaign, Ill. Bloomington Ill.
Evangelistic work at San Carlos do Pinhal, \$170.....	{ Goshen, Ind. Y. L. Band, 1st Ch., Springfield, Ill

## BOARDING SCHOOL AT RIO CLARO, SCHOLARSHIPS—COST, EACH, \$60.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	Golden Rule Mission Band, Saginaw, Mich.
2.....	W. M. S., 1st Church, Lansing, Mich.
3.....	Young People's Mission Band, Lake Forest, Ill.
4.....	W. M. S., Winnebago City, Minn.
5.....	Busy Bees, St. Mary's, Ohio.
6.....	Little Leaven Mission Band, Monmouth, Ill.
7.....	{ W. M. S., 3d Church, Chicago, Ill.
8.....	
9.....	
10.....	W. M. S., Adel, Iowa.
11.....	W.M. S. and Willing Workers, Ridgefield, Ill.
12.....	
13.....	Sabbath School, Jacksonville, Ill.
14.....	Y. L. Soc., 6th Church, Chicago, Ill. (partially.)
15.....	Manteno, Ill.
16.....	Sabbath School, Jefferson Park Ch., Chicago, Ill.
17.....	Madame W. H. Ferry, Lake Forest, Ill.
18.....	Fullerton Avenue Church, Chicago.
19.....	1st Church, Kankakee, Ill.
20.....	S. S. 2d Ch., Madison, Ind., and Reunion Ch., Chic.
21.....	
22.....	Lincoln and Plattsmouth, Neb.
23.....	41st Street Church, Chicago, Ill.
24.....	Arlington Heights, Ill.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
25.....	Kirkwood, Ill. (partially).
26.....	S. S. Valparaiso, Indiana.
27.....	Y. L. S. Westminster Ch., Minneapolis, Minn.
28.....	
29.....	
30.....	W. M. S., Noblesville and Portland, Ind

## AFRICA.

GABOON, BARAKA, SCHOLARSHIPS—COST, EACH, \$25

### GIRLS.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
25.....	W. M. S., Charleston, Ill.
26.....	Helping Hands, Goshen, Ind.
27.....	Coral Band, N. Lansing, Mich.
28.....	Davenport, Iowa.
29.....	Coral Band, Lansing, Mich.
30.....	Warsaw, Illinois.
31.....	Sabbath School, 1st Ch., Detroit.
32.....	Sabbath School, Central Ch., Detroit.
33.....	Y. L. Society, Duluth, Minn.
Scholarship .....	Sabbath School, Kendallville, Ind.

### BOYS.

34.....	Mrs. Purington's S. S. Class, 2d Church, Chicago.
35.....	Sabbath School Class, Milwaukee, Wis.
36.....	"The Messengers," Walnut St. Ch., Evansville, Ind.
37.....	W. M. S., Lafayette, Ind.
38.....	Sabbath School and Vol. Mis. Band, Hastings, Minn.
39.....	Sabbath School, Wyoming, Iowa.
40.....	Benita Band, Fond du Lac, Wis.
41.....	Sabbath School, Adrian, Mich.
42.....	Sabbath School, Adrian, Mich.
43.....	W. M. S., St. Cloud, Minn.
44.....	W. M. S., Ishpeming, Mich.
45.....	Boys' Mission Band, Westminster, Ch., Chicago.

BENITA SCHOLARSHIPS—EACH, \$20.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	W. M. S., 1st Church, Richmond, Ind.
2.....	Y. L. S., St. Peter, Minn.
3.....	Sabbath School, 1st Church, Indianapolis, Ind.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
4 . . . . .	Mrs. J. M. Painter, Sciota, Ill.
5 . . . . .	W. M. S., Pingree Grove, Ill.
6 . . . . .	Sabbath School, Knoxville, Ill.
7 . . . . .	W. M. S., Longmont, Neb.
8 . . . . .	
9 . . . . .	"Harvest Gleaners," Connersville, Ind.
10 . . . . .	W. M. S., Fergus Falls, Minn.
	Hika, Bible Read'r, W. M. S., Marion, Iowa.
	Frank Nyanza . . . . Westminster Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

KANGWE, OGOWE RIVER, SCHOLARSHIPS—COST, EACH, \$14.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
7 . . . . .	Y. L. S., Howell, Mich.
8 . . . . .	W. M. S., 8th Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
9 . . . . .	Lady in Ishpeming, Mich.
10 . . . . .	Children's Bands, Port Austin, Mich.
11 . . . . .	W. M. S., Parkersburg, Ind.
12 . . . . .	W. M. S., Walnut Hill, Ill.

GIFTS FOR PUBLICATION OF BENGA BOOKS.

Monument, Col. . . . .	\$10 00
Fargo, Dakota, Sabbath School. . . . .	20 00
Huron, Dakota, W. M. S. . . . .	32 20
Eldorado, Kansas, W. M. S. . . . .	10 00
Evanston, Ill., Y. L. . . . .	75 00
Union Grove, Ill., W. M. S. . . . .	25 00
Waltham, Ill., W. M. S. . . . .	9 85
Covington, Ind., Band. . . . .	16 00
Oconto, Wis., Sabbath School Class. . . . .	4 00

LIBERIA.

Mrs. Rachel A. Wardsworth, Clay Ashland, Native Teacher, \$200.

W. M. S., Buckley, Ill. . . . .	\$60 00
W. M. S., Mankato, Minn. . . . .	75 00
(Not taken) . . . . .	65 00

CHINA.

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
School under Miss Noyes, Canton, \$110. . . . .	S. S., 4th Church, Chicago.
School under Miss Noyes, Canton, 100. . . . .	S. S., Central Ch., Denver, Col.
Room rent, \$16.80. . . . .	{ Miss Fisher's S. S. Class, First Church, Chicago.

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
Pochang, Bible women, \$36.00	Peoria, Ill.
A Chin, in Miss Noyes' school, Canton	Y. L. Mis. Band, Freeport, Ill.

**SCHOLARSHIPS IN TRAINING SCHOOL, CANTON—COST, \$15.**

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
2	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
3	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
4	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
5	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
6	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
7	W. M. S., Logansport, Ind.
8	Y. L. M. Society, Boulder, Col.
9	Busy Bees, Grace Ch., Evansville, Ind.
10	Shining Lights, Gibson City, Ill.
11	Ispeming, Michigan.
12	Bible class, Howest. Mission, Chicago.
	Boy in Rev. D. C. McCoy's school, in Peking, Fullerton Avenue Church, Chicago, \$30.

**SCHOLARSHIPS IN NINGPO—COST, EACH, \$25.**

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
17	Muncie, Ind.
18	Hanover, Ind.
19	Busy Bees, Westminster Ch., Toledo, O.
20	Richardson Mission Band, Detroit, Mich.
21	Sabbath School 2d Church, Peoria, Ill.
22	Neenah, Wis.
23	Malcom, Iowa.
24	S. S. Immanuel Church, Milwaukee.
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26	

**SCHOLARSHIPS IN MRS. FARNHAM'S SCHOOL, SHANGHAI—COST, EACH, \$25.**

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
13	Mrs. Mendsen, Chicago, Ill.
14	Y. L. M. Soc., Ferry Hall, Lake Forest, Ill.
15	W. M. S. Granville, Ohio.
16	W. M. S., Janesville, Wis.
17	Westminster Band, Detroit.
18	Goshen, Ind.
19	Sabbath School, 6th Church, Chicago.
20	W. M. S., Litchfield, Ill.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
21.....	
22.....	Centre Ch. S. S., Crawfordsville, Ind.
24.....	W. M. S., Woodson, Ill.
25.....	W. M. S., Trenton, Ill.
26.....	
27.....	S. S., Alton, Ill.

## SOOCHOW—COST, \$100.

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
Mrs. Fitch's Day School.....	Mission Bands, Denver, Col.

## SCHOLARSHIPS IN CHEFOO—COST, EACH, \$40.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	W. M. Soc., Kossuth, Iowa.
2.....	Mrs. C. C. Peck, Chicago.
3.....	Downing Band, Rochester, Minn.
4.....	Sabbath School, 2d Church, Chicago.
5.....	Woman's Mission Society, Corning, Ia.

**JAPAN.**

## PUPILS IN TOKIO—COST, EACH \$50.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	Grand Haven, Mich.
2.....	Omaha, Neb.
3.....	Chil. B'd, Imm'l Ch., Milwaukee.
4.....	Prairie City, Ill.
5.....	Rhea Band, Detroit.
6.....	Young People's Soc., Lima, Ohio.
7.....	Band 1st Church, Indianapolis.
8.....	West Unity, Ohio.
Deguchi San, Bible woman, cost \$60. Mrs. A. L. Gould, Ridgeville, Ill.	

## GIFTS FOR OSAKA BUILDING.

Chicago, Ill., 4th Ch. S. S. Pioneers.....	\$50 00
Evanston, Ill., Band.....	17 00
Chester, Ill., Helm Band.....	18 00
Huntington, Ind., W. M. S.....	25 00
Birmingham, Mich., Brownell Band.....	39 44
Detroit, Mich., Fort St. Church, Rhea Band.....	60 00
Kalamazoo, Mich., 1st Sabbath School.....	50 00
St. Paul, Minn., Central Church Y. L.....	43 00

**SIAM.**

## BANGKOK TEACHER—COST, \$100.

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
Maa Tuan.....	S. S. Fort St. Church, Detroit.



## SCHOLARSHIPS—COST, EACH, \$30.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	Excelsior Mission Band, Troy, Ill.
2.....	Hyde Park, Ill.
3.....	Richardson Band, Detroit.
4.....	Infant Class, Fort St. Church, Detroit.
5.....	S. S. Teachers, Fort St. Church, Detroit.
6.....	Young People's Band, Knoxville, Ill.
7.....	S. S. American Church, Montreal, C. W.
8.....	Young Folks' Miss. Band, Pontiac, Mich.
9.....	Livingston M. B., 1st Church, Toledo, O.
11.....	Mrs. C. B. Nelson and daughter, Hyde Park.
26.....	W. M. S., Rossville, Ill.
27.....	W. M. S. 1st Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.

## TEACHER UNDER TRAINING—COST, \$36.

Links and Strands..... 2d Church, Lafayette, Ind.

## PETCHABURI.

NAME.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Mr. Ritt, Theological Student..	\$60..	S. S., 1st Ch., Kalamazoo, Mich.
Native Teacher, Punn.....	75....	Delphos, Ohio.
Colorado School .....	47)	S. S., Colorado Springs, Col.
Scholarship .....	20....	S. S., Pueblo, Col.
Market Street School.....	50....	Capitol Ave. Ch., Denver, Col.
No. 10 pupil.....	30....	W. M. S., Hardin, Ohio.
No. 13 pupil.....	30....	Y. L. S., 2d Ch., Indianapolis.

## LAOS—CHIENG MAI, GIRLS' SCHOOL—COST, \$25.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY.
1.....	Doolittle Band, Fostoria, Ohio.
2.....	Faith and W'ks B'd House of Hope Ch., St. Paul, M.
3.....	W. M. S., Immanuel Church, Milwaukee, Wis.
4.....	" " " " "
5.....	W. M. S., Stillwater, Minn.
6.....	Rural Gleaners, Green Valley, Illinois.
7.....	Sabbath School, Second Church, Springfield, Ill.
8.....	Pearl Gatherers, Second Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
9.....	W. M. S., Creston, Nebraska.
10.....	W. M. S., Pisgah, Church, Orleans, Illinois.
11.....	W. M. S., Thorntown, Indiana.
12.....	W. M. S., Bethel Church, Cottonwood Grove, Ill.
13.....	Nan Intah Band, Owatonna, Minnesota.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
14.....	W. M. S., Marquette, Michigan.
15.....	“ “ “ “
16.....	Grace Church, Evansville, Indiana.
17.....	“ “ “ “
18.....	Apple Blossoms, Jerseyville, Illinois.
19.....	S. S. Broadway Church, Logansport, Indiana.
20.....	Cheerful Givers, Constantine and White Wings, White Pigeon, Michigan.
21.....	Willing Workers, Cherokee, Iowa.
22.....	“ “ “ “
23.....	Sabbath School, St. Cloud, Minnesota.
24.....	Y. L. M. S., Ferry Hall, Lake Forest, Illinois.
25.....	Cheerful Workers, Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin.
26.....	The Gleaners, Fairfield Iowa.
27.....	W. M. S., Romney, Ind.
28.....	Girls' Band, 3d Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
29.....	Morning Stars, Centralia, Ill.
30.....	Mrs. Hudelson, Richmond, Ind.
31.....	W. M. S., Milford, Mich.
32.....	Y. L. S., Westminster Church, Rockford, Ill.
33.....	Ruth's Band, Broadway Ch., Rock Island, Ill.
34.....	W. M. S., Westminster Ch., Detroit, Mich.
35.....	W. M. S., Virginia, Ill.
36.....	Y. L. S., Alton, Ill.

LAOS—CHIENG MAI, BOYS' SCHOOL—\$25.  
(As soon as opened.)

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	Mrs. Perry H. Smith, Jr., Chicago, Illinois.
2.....	Y. P. Soc., Westminster Ch., Chicago, Ill.
3.....	
4.....	W. M. S., Bates, Ill.
5.....	Sunday School, Ipava, Ill.
6.....	
7.....	
8.....	Cheerful Workers, Silver Creek, Neb.
9.....	W. M. S., Goshen, Ind.
10.....	

GIFTS FOR CHIENG MAI BUILDING.

Bedford, Ind., W. M. S.....	\$2 60
Charlestown, Ind., W. M. S.....	1 50
Evansville, Ind., 1st Ave. Ch., Willing Workers.....	18 75
Frankfort, Ind., W. M. S.....	18 49

Goshen, Ind., W. M. S. ....	22 00
Hanover, Ind., W. M. S. ....	3 75
Jeffersonville, Ind., 1st W. M. S. ....	8 00
Band .....	5 00
Lexington, Ind., Band. ....	8 55
Madison, 1st W. M. S. ....	10 00
2d W. M. S. ....	3 50
Sabbath School. ....	1 50
Mishawaka, Ind., Standard Bearers and Sabbath School. ....	15 76
New Washington, Ind., W. M. S. ....	13 00
Seymour, Ind., W. M. S. ....	3 75
Terre Haute, Ind., Central Ch. Band .....	15 00
Alton, Ill., Sabbath School .....	13 77
Chicago, Ill., 4th Ch., S. S. Pioneers. ....	166 59
1st Ch., W. M. S. . . . .	10 00
Anonymous. ....	7 00
Galena, Ill., 1st Ch., Y. L. ....	15 00
Galesburg, Ill., Pearl Seekers. ....	40 00
Lewistown, Ill., Band .....	23 50
Lexington, Ill., W. M. S. ....	6 10
Rock Island, Ill., Central Ch. Band .....	8 00
Springfield, Ill., 3d Ch., Children of the King. ....	68 11
Vandalia, Ill., W. M. S. ....	25 00
Albion, Mich., W. M. S. ....	14 00
Constantine, Mich., Cheerful Givers .....	15 25
Eda, Mich., W. M. S. ....	3 10
Hastings, Mich., W. M. S. ....	3 00
Homer, Mich., W. M. S. ....	20 00
Lansing, Mich., Franklin St. Ch., W. M. S. ....	10 00
Marshall, Mich., W. M. S. ....	21 00
Mason, Mich., W. M. S. ....	10 00
Parma, Mich., W. M. S. ....	6 00
Tekonsha, Mich., W. M. S. ....	12 00
Lima, Ohio, W. M. S. ....	2 75
Oxford, Ohio, W. F. Sem. ....	181 00
Tiffin, Ohio, Little Gleaners .....	50 00
Cherokee, Iowa, Willing Workers. ....	23 75
Fairfield, Iowa, Willing Workers .....	25 00
Kossuth, Iowa, Little Reapers .....	12 00
Watkins, Iowa, W. M. S. ....	5 00
Indianola, Neb. ....	10 00
Milwaukee, Wis., Immanuel Ch. Band .....	7 00
Miscellaneous—Sale of Memorial of Miss Campbell .....	304 50

**INDIA.****BIBLE WOMEN.**

NAME.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Debki, Mynpurie.....	\$50	Ionia, Mich.
Lulli, Mynpurie .....	50	Constantine, Mich.
Bible Woman, Mynpurie. ....	50	8th Church, Chicago.
Aghain, Mynpurie. ....	50	Alton, Ill.
Phulmani, Ambala.....	50	Mrs. Wm. A. Brown, Chicago.
Preun Base, Ambala.....	50	Springfield, Ill.
Bible Woman, Ambala. ....	50	Stony Creek, Mich.
Julia.....	30	Columbus, Ind.
Kausilla, Futtehgurh.....	50	{ Alton, Ill. { Carrollton, Ill.
Sopha, Lodiana.....	50	Monroe, Mich.
Elizabeth, Allahabad.....	50	Princeville, Ill.
Martha, Gwalior.....	50	Valparaiso, Ind.
Grace Reid, Mynpurie.....	50	8th Church, Chicago.

**SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS AT RAWAL PINDI—UNDER MISSES GIVEN AND DOWNS.**

NO.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
1 School .....	\$50	Y. L. Soc., 4th Church, Chicago.
1 Teacher, Emily Patterson.....	50	Canton, Ill.
2 School.....	50	Mis. Band, Columbus Grove, O.
2 Jane Abdullah.....	50	Y. L. Soc., 3d Church, Chicago.
3 School.....	50	
3 Teacher .....	50	
4 School .....	50	
4 Teacher .....	50	
5 School.....	50	
5 Teacher .....	50	

**SCHOOLS AT AMBALA—COST, EACH, \$100.**

	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	Second Church, Terre Haute, Ind.
2 .....	Lewiston, Ill.
3.....	Peoria, Ill.

**VILLAGE SCHOOLS, FUTTEHGURH—COST, EACH, \$40.**

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
Hoffman School.....	Mrs. Hoffman, Detroit, Mich.
Pierson School.....	Rhea Band, Detroit, Mich.
Harriet Newell School.....	Y. L. Soc'y, 2d Ch., Freeport, Ill

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
Granville School.....	Granville, Ohio.
Mediapolis School.....	Mediapolis, Iowa.
Heathen Girls' Sc'l, Futtehgurh, \$35	Immanuel Ch., Milwaukee, Wis.
Christ'n Girls' Sc'l, Futtehgurh, \$200	Presbyterial Society, Peoria, Ill.

SCHOOL AT GWALIOR, UNDER MRS. DR. WARREN—COST, \$100.

	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	W. M. S., 1st Ch., Jacksonville, Ill.

GIFTS FOR GWALIOR CHAPEL.

Valparaiso, Ind.....	\$37 00
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PUPILS IN INDIA.

NAME.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Kamram, Mynpurie.....	\$25	Ionia, Mich.
Kashee, Kolapoor.....	30	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Ranee, Kolapoor.....	30	Three Rivers, Mich.
Amy, Mynpurie.....	25	Sabbath School, Aurora, Ill.
Sarah, Mynpurie.....	25	Mrs. Tompkins' S.S.Cl. Clinton, Ia.

DEHRA DOON—COST, EACH, \$60.

NAME.	SUPPORTED BY
Emily Richards.....	
Julia.....	Woodhull, Ill.
Jane Dulloo.....	First Church, Chicago.
Emily Khan Das.....	Sterling, Ill.
Lizzie Khan Das.....	Mendota, Ill., and S. S. Ackley, Iowa.
Annie.....	Wisner Band, 1st Ch. Cedar Rapids.
Lydia David.....	Mission Band, Flint, Mich.
Maggie Buddh.....	Armor Bearers, Dubuque, Iowa.
Lizzie David.....	Starry Lights, Geneva Lake, Wis.
Ketzie.....	S. S., Westminster Church, Minneapolis.
Elizabeth.....	Band, Perrysburg, O., and Rushville, Ill.
Basanto Sudhari.....	Lafayette, Ind.
Nasiban.....	S. S., Mason City, Ill.
Kulloo.....	W. M. S., Muscatine, Iowa.
Martha Dendyal.....	Y. L. S. & S. S., 2d Ch., Springfield, Ill.
Elizabeth Das.....	W. M. S., Chenoa, Ill.

LODIANA—BOYS' SCHOOL.

1.....	W. M. S., Greencastle, Ind.
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**SYRIA.**

COMMON SCHOOLS NEAR ABEIH AND BEIRUT.

NAME.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Beshymoon.....	\$150	Richmond, Ind.
Aramoon.....	110	W. M. S., Waukegan, Ill.

LOCATION.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Ain Kesoor.....	80	Lima, Ohio.
Kefr Metta.....	110	Crawfordsville, Ind
Ain Zehalta.....	50	Flint, Mich.
Mezraat No. 2.....	60	Flint, Mich.
Matully.....	90	Mishawaka, Ind.
Neeha.....	100	Central Church, Denver, Col.
Deir il Komr.....	200	Calvary Ch., Milwaukee, Wis.
Deir il Komr, one teacher.....	80	S. S., Evanston, Ill.
Deir il Komr, one teacher.....	80	S. S., 4th Ch., Indianapolis, Ind.
Debbeeeye.....	150	Y. L. S., Jefferson Ave. Ch. Detroit, Mich.
Haret In Naimy.....		W. M. S., Jacksonville, Ill.
Mejd Leyya.....	80	Y. L. S. Sem., Kalamazoo, Mich.
Batharan.....	80	W. M. S., 2d Ch., Springfield, Illinois.

## COST.

Ain Bal.... No. 1..	\$100....	Mrs. Ringland Fund, Hamilton, Ill.
Ain Bal.... No. 2..	40....	W. M. S., Ottumwa, Iowa.
Ammatoor.. No. 1..	60....	W. M. S., 2d Ch., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Ammatoor.. No. 2..	40....	Y. L. S., Boulder, Col., and W. M. S., Fergus Falls, Minn.
Ammatoor.. No. 8..	100....	
Mezraat.....	100....	W. M. S., Fairfield, Iowa.
Beewirty.....	10....	W. M. S., Ottumwa, Iowa.
Morning Star (paper)	50....	
Colporteur.....	120....	

## TRIPOLI—SCHOLARSHIPS IN BOARDING SCHOOLS.

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....
- 5.....
- 6.....
- 7.....
- 8.....

**PERSIA.**

## SCHOOL AT OROOMIAH—NATIVE TEACHERS, \$50.

## NAME.

## SUPPORTED BY

Hoshebo, of Seralon.....	Jefferson Park Church, Chicago.
Rahael, widow of Deacon Guergis..	Y. People's Soc., Bloomington, Ill.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND PUPILS—COST, EACH \$30. .

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	Little Gleaners, Ypsilanti, Mich.
2.....	Southfield, Mich.
3.....	Franklin, "
4.....	Bay City, "
5.....	Band, Bay City, Mich.
6.....	Detroit, Mich.
7.....	Northville, Mich.
8.....	Homer, "
9.....	Lafayette, Ind.
10.....	Wabash, "
11.....	Danville, Ill.
12.....	Lake Forest, Ill.
13.....	" "
14.....	Mrs. D. K. Pearsons.
15.....	Perry, Pike Co., Ill.
16.....	Band of Wal. St. Ch., Evansville, Ind.
17.....	Hyde Park, Ill.
18.....	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.
19.....	Sioux City and Ft. Dodge, Iowa.
20.....	Birmingham, Mich.
21.....	W. M. S., Pontiac, Ill.
22.....	Mr. J. L. McCune, Ipava, Ill.

## STUDENTS AT OROOMIAH COLLEGE—COST, EACH, \$25.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	S. S. Band, Petersburg, Ill.
2.....	W. M. S., Salem, Ill.
3.....	Georgetown, Col.
4.....	W. M. S. Brunswick, Ill.
5.....	
6.....	

## TEHERAN SCHOLARSHIPS, COST, \$50.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
18.....	Englewood, Illinois.
19.....	Bassett Band, Rice's Point Ch., Duluth, Minn.
20.....	Centre Church, Crawfordville, Ind.
21.....	W. M. S., Red Wing, Minn.
22.....	W. M. S. and S. S., Boone, Iowa.
23.....	Societies in Peoria Presbytery.

## TABRIZ.

NAME.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Boarding School.....	\$500	W. M. S., 2d Ch., Chicago.
School in Lalawa, Mariam, teach.	60	Westminster Ch., Toledo, Ohio.
School at Maragha.....	50	W. M. S., Lincoln, Neb.
Pupil, Tabriz School.....		Mission Band, Franklin, Ind.

## GIFTS FOR TABRIZ BUILDING.

Boulder, Col., W. M. S.....	\$25	00
Greeley, Col., W. M. S.....	11	50
Freeport, Ill., 1st W. M. S. ....	200	00
Mediapolis, Ia., Band.....	40	00
Litchfield, Minn., W. M. S.....	19	00
Band.....	1	31
Miscellaneous—By sale of Mrs. Van Hook's photographs.....	21	37

## NATIVE PASTORS' WIVES.

NAME.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
Morissa, wife of pastor Jacob, Superghan.....	\$36	
Sarah, wife of Pastor Oshana, Tkhoma.....	55	
Hannah, wife of Pastor Yohan, Oroomiah.....	48	
Repka, wife of Pastor Eshoo, Ardeshai.....	35	Dubnuque, Iowa.
Perse, wife of Pastor Werda, Takia.....	35	6th Church, Chicago.
Gulnaz, wife of Yarrow, Sooldoos.....	35	Jerseyville, Ill.
Mena, wife of Deacon Pera, Gavalen.....	35	Mrs. Milligan, Waveland, Ind.
Hawney, wife of Pastor Hormezd, Saatloo.....	35	Bloomington, Ill.
Rachel, wife of Deacon Tema, Boton.....	24	Y. L. Band, Blairstown, Iowa.
Sadis, wife of Deacon Sergis, Tashish, Berner.....	24	Y. L. Band, Springfield, Ill.
.....	24	Y. L. Band, Springfield, Ill.
Gozel, wife of Kasha Moshe, Maragha.....	44	Necnah, Wis.
Mariam, wife of Pastor Baba, Oroomiah.....	35	Coldwater, Mich.
Wife of Pastor Shimon, Oroomiah.....	100	Toledo, Ohio.
Khourma, wife of Deacon Eli, Salmas.....	50	Monroe, Mich.



## VILLAGE SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS—COST, EACH \$20.

LOCATION.	SUPPORTED BY
At Degall .....	
At Dizzaltiakah .....	S. S., Minonk, Ill.
At Geogtapha .....	W. M. S., Mishawaka, Ind.
At Gulpashan .....	W. M. S., Rockford, Ill.
At Karaghy .....	W. M. S., Dwight, Ill.
At Karajaloo .....	Willing Workers, White Bear Lake, Minn.
At Marzeris .....	Beloit, Wis.
At Mawana .....	Beloit, Wisconsin.
At Saatloo .....	Beloit, Wisconsin.
At Saralan .....	Beloit, Wisconsin.
At Sherabad .....	Grand Rapids, Michigan.
At Superghan .....	Grand Rapids, Michigan.
At Oroomiah .....	Bay City, Michigan.
At Ada .....	Hyde Park, Illinois.
At Ardeshai .....	Lansing, Iowa.
At Chanakee .....	Minneapolis, Minnesota.
At Charagoosha .....	Minneapolis, Minnesota.
At Ulmaleh .....	Girls' Band, Madison, Wisconsin.
At Wazzerawa .....	Riverside, Illinois.
At Hassan .....	Riverside, Illinois.
At Mar Akha .....	Lake Forest, Illinois.
At Yengagu .....	Lake Forest, Illinois.

## SCHOOLS FOR BOYS.

LOCATION.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
At Dizza, Cherbosh .....	\$16	Sunbeams, Milford, Mich.
At De Gall .....	20	Englewood, Ill.
At Dizza Wazzerawa .....	12	Fifth Church, Chicago.
At Dizzaltiakah .....	12	Fifth Church, Chicago.
At Gavalan .....	9	Englewood, Ill.
At Geogtapha .....	20	Mission Band, Bryan, Ohio.
At Gulpashan .....	24	Ellington Society, Quincy, Ill.
At Hakky .....	9	Englewood, Ill.
At Hussar .....	9	2d Ch., Chicago, for this year.
At Irwintoos .....	12	Boys' Miss. Band, Madison, Wis.
At Karajaloo .....	12	{ Westminster Ch., Grand Rapids, Mich.
At Karalan .....	9	A Friend, Chicago.
At Karasanloo .....	12	Goshen, Ind.
At Keat .....	12	Will Whipple B'd, Milford, Mich.
At Khateiloowe .....	12	Stillwater, Minn.

LOCATION.	COST.	SUPPORTED BY
At Nazu.....	9	Sunbeams, Milford, Mich.
At Pegebegloowe.....	18	Kilbourn City, Wis.
At Saatloo.....	9	Sunbeams, Milford, Mich.
At Shebane.....	9	Jennie Dean's Girls, Milford, Mich.
At Sherabad.....	9	Stevens Branch S.S., Milford, Mich.
At Shamshigan.....	9	} 2d Ch., Chicago, for this year.
At Shwawoota.....	9	
At Superghan.....	12	
At Takia.....	12	Lima, Wis.
At Alliabab.....	9	Lima, "
At Alkai.....	12	} 2d Ch., Chicago, for this year.
At Ardeshai.....	12	
At Baberood.....	12	
At Charagooshe.....	9	{ Louise and Josie M. Falley, Lafayette, Ind.
At Chiana.....	12	
At Caury.....	9	Stillwater, Minn.
At Titrash.....	12	Stillwater, Minn.
At Wazzerawa.....	12	Wyoming, Iowa.
At Zerem.....	24	
At Ashula.....	12	} Keokuk, Iowa.
At Derisha.....	12	
At Duru.....	12	
At Shakh.....	12	
At Telescope.....	20	Nolan Family.
At Charbosh.....	10	Wells Boys, Denver, Col.
At Memikan.....	10	Elkhart, Ind.

During the last year 83 village schools have been taught, with an attendance of 2,102 pupils.

OROOMIAH HOSPITAL.  
(Beds, \$25 each a year.)

NO.	SUPPORTED BY
1.....	W. M. S., Clarinda, Iowa.
2.....	Sowers and S. S., Hastings, Minn.
3.....	W. M. S., Delphi, Ind.
4.....	" " Rockville, Ind.
5.....	" " Remington, Ind.
6.....	Downing Band, Rochester, Minn.
7.....	Mrs. D. K. Pearsons, Chicago, Ill.
8.....	
9.....	W. M. S., Attica, Ind.
10.....	" " Lake Forest, Ill.
11.....	" " " " "
12.....	Thompson Bed, W. M. S., Lake Forest, Ill.

NO.	SUPPORTED BY	
13.....	Lillie Dickinson Bed, Y. P. S., Lake Forest.	
14.....	Miss Lillie Ferry, Lake Forest, Ill.	
15.....	W. M. S., Walnut St. Ch. Bloomington, Ind.	
	Rockford Seminary, Ill.....	7 00
	Indianapolis, Ind., Y. L. S.....	8 00
	Sidney, O., Loring Band.....	21 95

## GIFTS FOR TRAVELING EXPENSES.

Newton, Kansas, W. M. S.....	\$ 6 00
Chicago, 8th Ch. " ".....	29 00
Acton, Ind., " ".....	6 00
Bloomington, Ind., Walnut St. Church, W. M. S.....	35 65
Indianapolis, " First Church, W. M. S.....	5 00
" " " " Sunday School.....	18 35
" " Second Ch., Y. L.....	5 00
" " Third Church, W. M. S.....	50 00
" " Fifth " " ".....	5 60
" " Seventh " " ".....	10 00
" " Tenth " " ".....	32 45
Lima " S. S.....	10 00
Southport, " W. M. S.....	20 00
Ann Arbor, Mich., " ".....	200 00
" " " Y. P. & S. S.....	20 00
" " " Willing Workers.....	50 00
Birmingham, ".....	18 75
" " Brownell Band.....	3 44
Brighton, ".....	10 00
Detroit First Church, W. M. S.....	79 00
" " Richardson Band.....	15 00
" " Fort St. Church, W. M. S.....	104 75
Detroit, Mich., Jefferson Ave. Church, W. M. S.....	40 00
" " " " " Y. L.....	25 00
" " " " " S. S. Class.....	5 00
" " Westminster Church W. M. S.....	30 00
" " House of Prayer, Sabbath School.....	15 00
" " Central Church, Sabbath School.....	10 00
" " Miss S. Common.....	2 00
" " Calvary Church, Cheerful Givers.....	6 00
Wing Lake Church, Franklin, Mich., W. M. S.....	5 00
Minneapolis, Minn., Westminster Ch., W. M. S.....	42 00
Winnebago City, Minn., W. M. S.....	5 00
Urbana, O., a member of W. M. S.....	2 00

## TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Fort Street Presbyterian Church of the city of Detroit opened wide its doors on the morning of Wednesday, April 24th, in hospitable welcome to the Woman's Board of Missions of the Northwest, there in convention.

As the large number of delegates in attendance passed within the portals and down the aisles of this beautiful church in eager but reverent enthusiasm, from the ever open pages of the Holy Word above the pulpit came the command and promise with special significance to the occasion: "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all the nations, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded, and lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Again, from the elegant panel decorations on either hand of altar and choir, new inspirations came from the sacred text and lesson, and the profusion of beautiful tropical flowers and foliage tastefully arranged on the platform, had sweet significance also for the hour, while from the galleries, flags of all nations were suspended, emblematic of the universality of the work of this large assembly.

As one after another of the members of the Board appeared in the aisles and on the platform with the dear President in their midst, silent thanks arose on every hand for the mercy which had spared her leadership to this cause so far on the way, and that from this little band so few dear familiar faces were missing.

That inspiring hymn, "Joy to the World," led the opening exercises, with Scripture reading and prayer by Miss Peabody; Mrs. Dr. Morse Stewart, of Detroit, giving the address of welcome, and Mrs. Bonner, of Indiana, the response.

Mrs. Hoge's annual address was specially strong in encouragements of the rapidly increasing developments of this work, both in means and ever widening opportunities, also in suggestions for the future.

The greetings from sister Boards were cordial and enthusiastic, while the exercises of these two days in reports, essays and discussions, were characterized by a dignity, intellectual force, and spiritual fervor, which proved the power of this new force enlisted for the evangelization of the world, and suggested in its reactions, results scarcely as yet anticipated.

With so much of highest interest and importance in the papers read, it is difficult to pass them by with so brief a reference.

The poem contributed by Mrs. Herrick Johnson, "The Bride's Outfit," recording an incident in the history of the Nestorian mission, impressed the beauty and blessedness of effort in our Father's work. "A Pen for the Master's Use," by Miss Milligan, was a graceful tribute to the memory of sweet Mary Campbell, its reading being prefaced by a view of this precious relic in the hands of Mrs. Helm, which, she stated, had come back from its mission beyond the seas, into the hands of Mary Campbell's beloved teacher, Miss Peabody.

An interesting event occurred on Wednesday evening, when Mrs. Rhea referred to the hospital in Persia, and the endowment of forty beds at twenty-five dollars each. Twelve of these had already been provided for, she stated, when Dr. Pierson arose and urged "that *all* these beds be taken then and there," which was done in a trice.

A pleasant surprise came at the conclusion of Miss Cummings' remarks on the importance of trained physicians for this work, and the advantage of endowments for scholarships in some of the medical colleges where women were admitted, when it was announced, "that a wealthy lady in Detroit had contributed \$1,000 for the endowment of a scholarship in the medical college of Chicago."

The time allotted to the few words from the returned missionaries was all too brief. Many important and profitable

things were left unsaid, as the hour for the closing words approached.

The evening sessions, as those of the day, brought together crowded audiences. The preliminary service of Tuesday evening was a happy introduction to the exercises of the following days, at which time the Rev. Dr. Thackwell, of India, and Dr. Jessup, of Syria, each urged the importance of woman's work for woman in their special stations.

Wednesday evening was devoted to the young, and included a service of song, with instructive and spirited addresses from Mrs. Rhea, Mrs. Helm, and Rev. E. C. Ray, of Illinois, each speaker emphasizing the influence of engaging the young people of our churches in mission work, not only in the good attempted, but in the good received.

The reception of Thursday evening was a fitting conclusion to this pleasant and profitable occasion; delightful music from the choir, eloquent addresses from Rev. Mr. Tinker and Dr. Pierson, and finally, farewells to the great number of delegates, filled the evening.

The lunches served each day in the church parlors were bountiful, excellent, and admirably managed. The arrangement providing for lunch after the concluding services Thursday afternoon, for those ladies leaving on the evening trains, was an added evidence of that thoughtfulness which was the dominant spirit of these hours. All who enjoyed the charming hospitalities so freely offered on this occasion, in the many elegant homes which abound in this beautiful City of the Straits, will ever hold these things in grateful remembrance.

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## ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

BY MRS. MORSE STEWART.

LADIES—Nay more—let me say friends and co-workers in the cause represented here to-day: It is not only a duty imposed upon me, but a great pleasure to welcome you to dear old Detroit—to offer you the best our hearts and hands can give—

presenting you the freedom of our city, welcoming you to hearth and home and tabernacle of God, beautified for your coming by the loving hands of those who worship at its altar.

On this, the twelfth anniversary of our women's work, we are glad to say, come and be one with us—come and abide with us—let our homes be your homes during the brief space allotted for the consideration of the great problem before us, because one hope and purpose is in us all.

Need I define it? The world's statistics are large—alas, yet more are they heavy and disheartening. Let us eschew them numerically, and take on trust the little segment of the world that the charts mark with the white emblem of Christian purity. It is so *small* a portion that it illustrates, even after all effort, that the *field* is the world.

The vastness of the field, and the magnitude of the labor would be appalling, had we not the prototype in the vision of the prophet Daniel.

“I saw and behold a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof was great—the tree grew and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto Heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth; the leaves thereof were fair, and the fruit thereof much, *and in it was meat for all*. The beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heavens dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh was fed of it!”

Our Lord Himself gave the interpretation when he said: “The kingdom of Heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field—which, indeed, is the least of all seeds—but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.”

God planted His mustard seed in human nature—in Jesus Christ—the Holy Spirit is ever planting and nourishing Jesus Christ and faith in His redeeming love in our hearts—and we need only to give that room to grow till the believing soul becomes a tree.

Has not he who of all sinful men, sounded the deepest depths of the deep things of God, told us that the communication of

thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

To believe on the Lord Jesus Christ may look too little, but the least thread of truth is full of undreamed-of possibilities. If *we* have but the genuine love and sow it here and there over the great field; if we hide the gospel in every kingdom of the earth, and pray that it have room and power to grow—the great branches of each believing life that has truly lived Christ's love will be a shelter, to which all world-wearied, sin-stained souls may fly for sympathy, help, teaching, guidance and strength. Sow, therefore, O sower, with tears of thanksgiving for the seed itself, and wait that harvest where the blessed angels are the reapers.

We women have a rare right of service in this field, for the one-half of this field is made up of women—women like ourselves in all save the great fundamental principles of a soul's life and being—a soul's freedom—the free will of the knowledge of good and evil—we must ask of God and man that they have from henceforth the inalienable right of choice, and cause them to become the sowers in their turn; and it is curious to see amid all this unusual gathering how intuitively you—my sisters—my *Presbyterian* sisters—have recognized that in Christ there is liberty. The women of His Church have in this great transition time been quickened by a vital impulse of growth. The pulse of a new and better and deeper purpose of life throbs through your souls this day.

In a simple, womanly fashion you have come independently to believe that when St. Paul said "Ye may *all* prophesy one by one—that all may be comforted," the words limiting this permission, "Let your women keep silence in the churches," were but a command to be silent under special circumstances, and implied liberty to speak in others.

A precept to be silent *in the church* can by no ingenuity be made to *impose silence in the world*. From the hour, now well-nigh nineteen centuries ago, when the first Mary, blessed among women, with prophetic outcry proclaimed "His mercy is on them that fear Him, from generation to generation," because of



her coming Redeemer, till the day another Mary, with the foresight of faith, broke for his burial the box of precious ointment (ere His less discerning disciples had consented to believe that He could die), and later in His history went seeking with wistful eyes to find at the sepulchre the key to the mystery of a conquered grave—what though she departed unsatisfied, did she not return again with the birth-pang of faith upon her, weeping sore with her pain, which indeed was but the travail of hope, until she heard the sob of the living child of her soul in that simple everyday word of her life, “Mary.” What wonder she was swift to turn and answer, “Rabboni!” and would fain have clasped him to her heart.

Recall, oh my sisters, how Jesus said unto her, “*Touch me not, but go and say.*”

This was not her commission alone, but ours through all the ages. To teach Christ is more His will than to touch Him. She, a weak, but faithful woman, was the first messenger of the risen Lord; sent straight to the poor coward who had denied Him; sent with the words of his pardon and the good tidings of His near ascension “to my God and your God.”

History repeats itself, and this old world is well nigh at the end of its sixty centuries since God’s Sabbath of rest from creation—and there are those who wait in hope for the long rest of Christ’s glory and presence on the earth, when the enemy will be shut and sealed away in the great pit; and those who watch with lamps trimmed and burning for the hour which no man knoweth—not even the angels of God—when the bridegroom cometh—whisper often in tones of assurance: “It can’t be long now.”

Thus by some subtle impress of the Spirit, women begin to look for the thing spoken of by Joel, the prophet, and reiterated in that wondrous sermon of St. Peter to the “hundred and twenty believers” (of whom so large a portion were women) “who were with one accord in one place.”

“And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy” *i. e.*, understand and explain the

mysterious, hidden sense of Scripture by an immediate illumination and motion of the Spirit.”

With the simple dignity of their royal birth, Christian women have taken the right, the equal right, to be teachers and helpers of men. They have gone to the battlefield, the camp, the hospital, to the drunkard and the drunkard's home, to the navies of England, to the slums of America. They have gathered the orphans, the friendless, the aged and the suffering children. They have taught in the prison and in the Sabbath schools; and in these later days they feel that all is not enough, that the shadow of a great destiny is coming upon them. And we hear of them taking counsel on every side, as you are this day for the service of the King.

When of old you read: “The Lord gave the Word; great was the company of those who published it.” They seemed but the refrain of the psalmist's poetical thanksgiving, but *now*, with deeper insight, you know that there is a prophecy of the last times—its fulfillment is in the near future—that it means: “A great host of women who publish the glad tidings of Christ's love and mercy and kingly coming.”

The secret of the Lord is with those that fear him; to know His covenant, His whole covenant, until He cometh in the glory of his Father, with the holy angels.

Let us walk equal to our privileges and worthy of our vocation; hastening that time; ranging ourselves in ranks as the reserved corps to be called to the front in the hour of the final struggle and triumph of our Redemer's kingdom, knowing that before such glory the kings of armies did flee, and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.

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## RESPONSE.

MRS. S. A. BONNER.

“I believe in the communion of saints,” the church has joyfully said ever since the apostolic age. “With one accord, in one place,” “of one heart, and of one soul,” is the testimony of

the spirit to the unity of the early believers. Modern Christian assemblies sing: "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in christian love."

Jesus prayed the Father for His followers, "that they may be one, even as we are one, and we know that the Father heareth Him always. If anywhere on earth this doctrine of Christian unity is preëminently true and operative, it is where the disciples of Jesus meet by hundreds in enthusiastic and practical devotion to the fulfillment of His last words, the missionary command.

Therefore it is possible for me now, Christian friends of Detroit, to respond to your welcome in behalf of the Board of the Northwest, and of the body of delegates, most of whom are personally unknown, equally to each other and to myself, and in behalf of the large membership in the auxiliaries here represented, whose faces I may never see in the flesh. "Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one," and I speak confidently for them all in grateful acceptance of the tendered hospitality of your homes and hearts. Nor would I forget to thank you in the name of the rank and file of our army on the field, a few of whom are here to-day on honorable furlough. I am sure that thousands of missionary converts, of every land and tongue, would have me speak for them also. The earth is girdled with prayer for this meeting, our petition being that it may bless the city where it assembles. And somewhere in this room, behind the panorama of the hour, there seems to be present an intangible, voiceless personality, the waiting, breathing world, which has never yet heard that a deliverer from sin has come. This shadowy guest cannot thank you. It can only, by the depth of its woe, appeal unconsciously for that gospel which we have to give. I believe that in the happy thought of this meeting, as a part of the grand march of the church for the redemption of these, you may find a higher reward for your labors for our entertainment than if the air were vocal with our thanks.

We sometimes regret that, until "this mortal shall have put on immortality," our physical needs will not stand in abeyance

for a single day; but we pray you not to be "cumbered with much serving," for "we seek not yours, but you." There is great necessary labor involved by the presence of so large a gathering, and we would honor your service as something akin to the spirit of that early fellowship which was not modern communism, but a true Christian brotherhood, having all things common, and distributing to every man as he hath need. These beautiful flowers, and these reminders of past events, of present duty, and of future glory, only give strong confirmation to the cordial words of your greeting.

While the burdens of hospitality rest upon these kind friends of Detroit, let us who are guests recognize that to us belongs a higher responsibility than can be expressed by any allusion to the "angels unawares" of the patriarchal day. Man is, by creation, a little lower than the angels, but, by redemption, he hath "obtained a more excellent name than they." Jesus evermore identifies Himself with His followers, and let us, bearing His name, enter these homes, open to us for His sake, with all the humility befitting a reverent remembrance of His word, "He that receiveth you, receiveth me."

May the gladness of Christian fellowship fill all our hearts in the public exercise and the social intercourse of this occasion. May this meeting not only bless the city of Detroit, and we who have gathered here with a fuller consecration to a better service hereafter, but may its power so reach the heart of every woman within the territory of our Board, that one result shall be a mighty forward impulse to the wheels of His chariot, who taries so long in coming, now nearly 1,900 years.

Upon the quiet of this sacred place have sounded words of salutation between us, who can take each other by the hand in visible fellowship. Are these the only greetings exchanged upon this occasion? What welcome, O, my sister, host or guest, does the Spirit whisper to your heart this morning from the Master of the feast? By the promise of His abiding and universal presence with his people, He is there. Shall our "eyes be so holden that we may not know Him," even though our hearts burn within us all the way through the coming hours

together? Once Jesus, wearing the same glorified body that he wears to-day, stood in the midst of his disciples, the doors being shut, and said unto them, "Peace be unto you." Surely we can give no less loyal response in recognition of His presence here than long-doubting Thomas then gave as he answered, "My Lord and My God."

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## ANNUAL ADDRESS.

MRS. A. H. HOGE, PRESIDENT.

Christianity has a marked individuality approached by no other religious system. Its propositions and precepts are original, in direct opposition to the teachings of all others. Its exemplar, the only perfect man, invites and defies the scrutiny of the ages. Christianity is the world's civilizer, man's guide through life, his comforter in earthly trials, and the open sesame to life beyond the grave. Its birthplace was in Judea, among a despised and prejudiced race. But it did not pause there. Within three centuries it had mounted the throne of the Cæsars and outmarched the potentates of earth. In its course and success, it dominated the world of letters, and has been the mainspring of benevolence throughout the world. The name of its author, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, is the synonym of every virtue, His life, alone, peerless. No race is so degraded that christianity may not elevate and give it a place among the nations.

On this twelfth anniversary of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, the woman's part in this Christian triumph becomes the occasion of our gathering, and the subject of our consideration. She, alone, has the entrée to heathen dwellings, or access to their inmates—even then, she is the object of strict supervision, often criticism. This accounts for the pall of darkness that envelops those who hold in their hands the head and heart of infancy and childhood. A renowned infidel once said, "Give me the first seven years of child-life and you may have the rest." It is an acknowledged principle in

historic records, that each country has its appointed time and bestowed ability for the performance of its work. Despite the overshadowing power of wealth and personal influence, ideas control the world in literary, scientific, and religious pursuits. As a basis for these ruling forces, with horoscopic glance and telescopic outlook, let us take in the ends of the earth, the only limit to the work of foreign missions, whose results stretch forward to the New Jerusalem. Efforts to promulgate the truths of christianity are coeval with the birth of the babe of Bethlehem, the corner-stone, the top-stone, and inspiration of all true missionary zeal. In a retired spot between Jordan and the Mediterranean, in the city of Bethlehem, where David was born and Ruth slept the sleep that knows no waking, in a stable, because there was no room in the inn, Mary laid her first-born son in the manger. That lowly bed became the seed-plot of christianity. Little wonder that, with the knowledge of her coming honor, Mary should exclaim, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God, my Saviour."

To humble shepherds on the plains of Bethlehem came the stupendous announcement of the birth of the Saviour, the Lord of life and glory. It tuned the voices of the heavenly host, which rang out the burden of the new gospel, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men." The shepherds made haste to Bethlehem to tell the wondrous story, but Mary kept it and pondered in her heart. With full knowledge of His exalted mission and lineage, Christ failed not in His example to humanity. He was subject to His parents, and amid His crucial agony, exclaimed to the beloved disciple, "Son, behold thy mother," and to his mother, "behold thy son." The names of four Marys, who followed Him up and down Judea, and of other women who opened their houses for the proclamation of the gospel, and were recognized by the great apostle as helpers in the Lord, are inscribed on the sacred page. In the decadence of true piety, woman was remanded to extreme privacy and cloister work. Her influence shrank. Even good men held back from giving her full scope in christian activity, ignoring the fact that she had been honored

by Christ, after His resurrection, in receiving his first salutation, "All hail," and His first gospel commission, "go tell." The women and Mary formed part of that upper room prayer-meeting after Christ's ascension.

On the Day of Pentecost, God's spirit was poured out on sons and daughters, and they prophesied. These recorded facts, when graciously received, fill woman's heart, not only with gratitude, but humility and deep sense of responsibility, that have given rise to the organization represented here. As the command "Go tell," sounds in the ear of christian woman, falling at the Saviour's feet, she exclaims "Rabboni," and makes haste to ring out the glad news to heathen woman.

Our Father in heaven permits us to-day to offer greetings to some who have been to the land of idols, and have returned for rest and recuperation, or are about to go, to carry the lamp of life to the women who sit in darkness. Well may the church arise, shake off the dust of ages, and send them forth to be the succorers of the souls and bodies of women, bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh. Before these leaders in deeds, not words, my lips are closed. But my sisters, we will cherish them in our heart of hearts, carry them to the mercy-seat, minister to their wants, and in all things deal with them tenderly.

A. D. 1834, Rev. David Abeel, fresh from his mission field in the East, in connection with Mrs. Divie Bethune and Mrs. Isabella Graham, of New York, attempted to rouse the women of this land to the importance of woman's work for woman in heathen lands. The effort failed, but the leaven worked. A. D. 1860, Mrs. Doremus, of blessed memory, organized in the city of New York the "Woman's Union Missionary Society," in which she worked with unabated love and large success till A. D. 1877, when the Lord took her to the marriage supper of the lamb.

By the formation and success of this society, woman's knowledge was enlarged and her zeal stimulated. January, 1868, the "Woman's Boston Board" was formed, and in the same year, in Chicago, the "Board of the Interior," composed of Congregational and Presbyterian women. The union proved happy in

work and results. A. D. 1870, the Presbyterian Church resolved to encourage similar organization within its own bounds. With deep regret to part, but with unimpaired love and confidence, it was decided to divide into two bodies and pass over Jordan, each stimulating the other. The Lord has set His seal on both. The large increase of candidates and funds on both sides proclaims that the work is one, under the same infallible Leader. Successively the evangelical denominations have organized this work for heathen women, within their own bounds, and all have been signally blessed of God. A. D. 1872, the receipts of the "Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest," were \$6,334.42. Ten years later, A. D. 1882, they had risen for the year to \$48,310.15. Including the decennial and Persian famine fund in 1881, the funds of this Board have amounted to \$302,981.18, exclusive of what will be reported for the current year. The bequests and donations to the Assembly's Board, by women, during the same period, have been liberal, frequent and continuous. Mrs. Green's donation of \$50,000 to the Assembly's Board tided it over a rock of difficulty and set it on high ground. Fervent prayer was thus heard and answered. The princely bequest of Mrs. Lapsley to the same board, amounted to more than double that sum, and enabled it to extend operations which would have been impracticable without such aid.

In this connection, a word as to Christian giving. We have been slow to learn that free-will offerings to the Lord are worship. "Give unto the Lord the glory due to His name, bring an offering and come into His courts." We are commanded to "honor the Lord with our substance and the first fruits of all our increase." When Christ was on earth, many women ministered unto Him with their substance. To whom much is given, of her much is required. When wrapped in the spirit of love and sacrifice, not only streams of gold from the rich, but the alabaster box and copper mites bear incalculable blessings in their train, and this service, for Christ's sake, is open to all. Tithes was the Jewish rule—all, the widow's. Above the rest, those mites were stamped with Christ's approval. The time



has come when woman is called to this duty, not only for herself, but in training her children. When this shall be fulfilled, the coffers for foreign missions will overflow, and Christ's gospel will be preached from "the rivers unto the ends of the earth."

I would now present to you the subject of medical missions. The Lord has gone before and signally opened the way for their prosecution, by removing barriers, even in our own land, to woman's successful practice of medicine. As to heathen lands, where women alone can minister to her own sex, there is unanimity of opinion as to its value. Of late, in reading the Bible, in course, a light from heaven flashed upon the verses, 23d, 24th and 25th of the 4th chapter of Matthew. I had been in a general way favorable to medical missions in woman's work. But when I saw that preaching the gospel and healing the sick were inseparably connected in Christ's command and example, rightly, they assumed vastly increased importance; indeed, became a necessary part of mission work. With a reference Bible, I investigated, and found in the gospel of Matthew, alone, thirteen specific cases of Christ's healing named, and repeated statements that He healed all manner of sickness and disease among the people. Healing stricken bodies is an outgrowth of christianity, arrests the attention and secures the open ear of heathen women to the source whence it emanates, the new religion. We have with us to-day a medical candidate, fully equipped and indorsed by the "Woman's Medical College of Chicago." We commend her to your love and prayers, that she may not only be able to heal stricken bodies, but that multitudes, as in the Master's ministry, may follow Jesus in her train. In this field there is large opportunity for women blessed with abundant means, to aid in this Christlike work. Scholarships in the medical college may be secured. Can there be more exalted service than to minister to the suffering bodies of heathen women, thereby often led to Calvary, to adore and embrace the Redeemer, who opened the door of eternal bliss to them? The donors, while in the flesh, may know of the fruits of their offerings, which have redounded to the glory of God.

Another department of labor here claims our attention. The question arises, can any family or Sabbath school expect God's blessing, if the parting command of the Saviour is ignored? Permit me to say to parents and teachers, God has placed in your hands a lever greater than Archimedes', that may not only move earth but people heaven. Thrice the Saviour asked, "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?" and thrice when his confident answer came, he was commanded, "Feed my sheep" and "Feed my lambs." Little as we realize it, our acts, more than words, train the younglings of the flock. The emblazoned banner, Christ for the world and the world for Christ, should envelop our Sabbath schools and families. In self-denying gifts and careful instruction, the children should be trained to take place in the Lord's advancing hosts, as they carry the gospel to the ends of the earth. Our most precious treasures, in comparison with which gold is as paltry pelf, should be dedicated as well as trained for this service. Good old John Newton said: "Fill the bushel with wheat, and you may defy the devil to fill it with tares. As Satan is sure to begin early, see to it that you begin earlier than he." I would add, be ready to give these priceless treasures when Christ calls. God will hold each one of us responsible for the culture of our garden, and for its gathered fruits.

Frequent calls are made by our constituents for special objects on which to bestow their gifts and prayers. It must be remembered our field is the world, and each department—missionaries, schools, scholarships, and sometimes buildings—are parts of this great enterprise. We understand the power of something definite to enlist the best efforts of our constituents. When such are on our list, we gladly comply with the request. We would, however, ask our sisters to lay their offerings at the Saviour's feet, giving them the assurance, that when our list of special objects is exhausted, careful distribution will be made, according to necessity, and for the general good. If humbly, heartily and prayerfully bestowed, these gifts will receive that blessing, which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow. That we know is what our constituents desire. In conclusion, let us

remember that this warfare is with the world, the flesh and the devil. Our courage might well falter, but for our omnipotent Leader. As the English soldiers, under John of Marlborough, during a threatening campaign, surrounded their camp fires, words of doubt and dread were heard. But a strong heart beat and a ringing voice rallied—"Never mind! never mind! John of Marlborough will bring us through." What now for us, my sisters? Jesus of Nazareth, the Alpha and Omega, who was wafted to heaven on a cloud of glory, will bring us through. Hark! "Lo! I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." As the cloud rises, He commands, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." My sisters, if in word and spirit we "go tell," we shall see Him on His mediatorial throne, King of kings and Lord of lords, welcome millions upon millions, redeemed from heathen lands, and *with them* we will quaff the water of life, and go no more out forever.

## REPORTS OF STATE SECRETARIES.

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### ILLINOIS.

MRS. H. T. HELM.

The Synod of Illinois has 11 Presbyteries, divided into 3 districts, each having a Secretary.

CAIRO Presbytery, in the Southern district, has 19 societies, 4 bands and 1 Sabbath school organization, while many Sabbath schools contribute monthly to missions. The societies' membership is 281, contributing \$407.10 to Foreign Missions, 14 per cent. increase on the amount of last year; copies of Woman's Work taken, 36; Children's Work for Children, 29 copies. Missionary boxes are also reported. The floods in this part of the country have prevented some of the societies from doing their usual work;

ALTON Presbytery has 16 societies, 3 band, 2 Sabbath school organizations, and 1 young ladies' society, contributing \$516.91 to Foreign Missions. Two new societies are reported. Membership of societies, 303, taking 54 copies of Woman's Work for Woman, and 10 copies of Children's Work for Children;

MATTOON Presbytery reports 14 societies and 4 children's bands, with a membership of 322, taking 38 copies of Woman's Work for Woman, 24 copies of Children's Work for Children, and 10 copies of Foreign Missions, and contributing \$568.40 to Foreign Missions, and \$65 to Home Missions.

The Central district, including PEORIA Presbytery, reports 51 societies, of which nearly half are Sabbath school organizations and mission bands, a most encouraging and delightful feature of the work. Membership, 1,659. Copies of Woman's Work taken, 191; Children's Work for Children, 151. Amount

contributed for Foreign Missions, \$2,092.70; for Home Missions, \$1,415;

SPRINGFIELD has 27 societies, including Sabbath school organizations and 5 young ladies' societies. Membership, 1,242. Copies of Woman's Work taken, 73; Children's Work for Children, 25 copies. Amount contributed, \$1,779.24;

BLOOMINGTON Presbytery reports 38 societies, including bands and Sabbath school organizations; membership, 839; copies of Woman's Work taken, 103; Children's Work for Children, 131 copies. Amount contributed, \$1,761.42. In this is included "thank offerings" to the amount of \$131;

SCHUYLER Presbytery reports 23 societies, including banded and Sabbath School organizations. Membership reported, 545; number in Sabbath schools not given. Copies of Woman's Work taken, 64; Children's Work for Children, 15 copies. Amount contributed, \$3,321.

The Northern district, including CHICAGO Presbytery has 31 societies and 34 bands, with a membership of 4,162, contributing \$10,864.46 to Foreign Missions, and \$361.00 for Home Missions, including many valuable boxes. 132 copies of Woman's Work taken, and 632 copies of Children's Work for Children;

FREEPORT Presbytery has 21 societies and 9 bands. Membership 654, taking 78 copies of Woman's Work, and 64 copies of Children's Work for Children, and contributing \$1,534.33 to Foreign Missions;

ROCK RIVER Presbytery reports 19 societies and 9 bands, with a membership of 387, taking 22 copies of Woman's Work and 20 copies of Children's Work for Children. This Presbytery contributed \$525 to Foreign Missions the last year;

OTTAWA Presbytery reports 14 societies and 1 band, with contributing Sabbath Schools. Membership 272. Copies of Woman's Work taken 40. Children's Work for Children 12 copies. Amount contributed \$392.11 to Foreign Missions. They also report 3 boxes, 2 for Dr. Sarah Cummings, under appointment for Japan, and 1 box for Sitka, valued at \$43.53.

Total for the State of Illinois, 340 societies reported, with a

membership of 10,667. Copies of Woman's Work 831; copies of Children's Work for Children 1,131. Amount contributed through the societies above mentioned, and others in this Synod, \$24,070.92, a gain over last year of \$3,843.67.

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## INDIANA.

MISS GRETTIE Y. HOLLIDAY.

The Synodical Society of Indiana reports as follows: Societies, 126; Young Ladies Societies, 13; Children's Bands, 37; Sabbath Schools contributing, 23. Organized during the year just closed: Societies, 9; Young Ladies' Societies, 6; Bands 2; Sabbath Schools, 4. Report of magazines taken: Foreign Missionary, 411; Woman's Work, 370; Children's Work, 320. A number of copies of the Gospel in all Lands are taken. The contributions reported to the secretary are \$8,978.79, being an increase over those of last year of about a thousand dollars. Almost all the local societies report a small increase in their collections, and very few have given less than they did last year. We feel greatly encouraged by this fact.

The eight Presbyterian societies have held meetings during the year, of great interest and good attendance. These meetings are growing in favor.

New Albany Presbyterian society celebrated her first decennial this spring, being the oldest of these organizations in the State.

We held no general Synodical meeting last year, but called a representative meeting of Presbyterian and Synodical officers, who took the necessary steps to unite the two Synodical Societies.

A simple constitution was adopted, constituting the Presbyterian presidents and secretaries with those of the Synodical Society an Executive Committee, with power to elect Synodical officers annually, and to call a general meeting of the Societies whenever expedient.

A statement of the Synodical Society, and a brief history of the societies in the State was submitted to Synod and kindly received by them.

We have still to urge the importance of work among the young, and hope the societies will endeavor to engage more of the children and young people in the missionary cause.

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## IOWA.

### MESDAMES YOUNG AND SCOTT.

The Presbyterian societies of Council Bluffs, Dubuque and Cedar Rapids have made a slight increase in the amount of their contributions to Foreign Missions, but the falling off from the other four has been such that the total, \$3,856.24, is less than the report for the previous year. We are satisfied, however, that if the figures are less, we are settling down to a more correct standard, viz: reporting nothing for missions except what goes into the treasury at Chicago.

From almost every part of the Synod we hear that the interest is increasing, and a determination is expressed to do more in the future than in the past.

There is a gratifying increase in the number of mission periodicals taken, and what is still more pleasing is the fact that fewer copies are consigned to the waste basket unread. In some localities missionary literature is at par, and is carefully studied.

The number of Missionary organizations has not increased as we desire, especially among the Sunday Schools.

Many inquiries have been made after our missionary in Monterey. We are informed by the Board that a young lady will soon be sent to take the place of Miss Cochrane (now Mrs. Nicholson). As it is the *work* more than the worker in which we are interested, a change in the name will not lessen our gifts nor our prayers. We still hear from some of our officers the old refrain, "oh, that women would be more prompt and systematic in their remittances and reports!" There *is* still room for improvement, but those who have been longest in the work rejoice to see the progress already made. In the Presbyterian and Synodical meetings these difficulties can be fully discussed, and if each Presbyterian officer would be in attendance they could be soon overcome.

For Synodical and Presbyterial work \$82.00 has been contributed. A greater sum than ever before, but we need much more. For printing annual report, \$21.50, and over \$200 for the expenses of delegates to the various annual meetings.

The meeting of our Synodical Society in Burlington last October was a precious season. Every delegate felt it good to be there. We were permitted to have with us our beloved Mrs. Van Hook, of Persia, and her words still linger in our hearts. A meeting of the Executive Committee, decided that a full report of the meeting and the work of the year should be published. Forty-five dollars was raised, 300 copies printed and circulated. From the seed thus sown we expect an abundant harvest. By the sale of these a fund is to be created for the printing of future reports.

The matter of mission work among the Sac and Fox Indians in our State, has not been lost sight of, although it has developed slowly, we thank God that the interest is deepening and widening, and we are now ready for foundation work. Already more than \$300 has been secured in money and pledges, and the larger part of the societies to hear from. From those who have responded come the cheering words, "we are so glad the work is to be undertaken, and we want a share in it." In faith, and prayer, and *patient waiting for results* must the work be begun, and we are sure the Lord will carry it on, till every red man, as well as every white man, shall bow to the Sceptre of King Emmanuel.

SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR.

Sent to Chicago.....	\$3,856 24
For Synodical and Presbyterial Work.....	82 00
"  Printing Annual Report.....	21 50
"  "  Synodical Report.....	45 00
"  Delegates' Expenses.....	200 00
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Total.....	4,204 74



## MICHIGAN.

MRS. C. G. BROWNELL.

The need of more laborers, and the lack of means to send those who are willing to go to the heathen lands, to make known the Gospel of Salvation, was forcibly presented by the President at the last annual meeting of our Synodical Society.

A thorough canvass among the women of our churches, and an effort to enlist the uninterested in the salvation of heathen women, was recommended.

The coöperation of all of our societies, in a general effort to *recruit our ranks*, was also asked.

A Committee was appointed to prepare a circular, which was sent to the societies in December, recommending that a systematic effort be made by them to make this a *Grand Recruiting Year* in our Synod.

We are not able to state to what extent this recruiting has been carried on, but as one of the results of it, our ranks have, in the five Presbyteries from which we have full returns, been increased by 571 *members*. From this ingathering, we could not expect a large addition to our contributions until they had come to know more fully the needs of the work, but being so much encouraged by the result of efforts already made, we purpose continuing them.

The support of two of the nine *new* missionaries sent out by the Board of the Northwest, has been assumed by one of our ladies, making a total of eight supported by our Synodical Society, and recently the salary of one who, within the year, went from our State to China has been promised from two of our Presbyteries.

Willing hands prepared the outfit for Miss Mary L. Harding, who after having overcome obstacles mountain high in her efforts to secure a thorough education, offered herself to the Board, and is now at work in Africa.

From all of our Presbyteries there come encouraging reports. Six Societies and three Bands have been organized during the year, making a total of 83 Societies and 54 Bands.

The number of copies of Woman's Work reported is 236, and of Children's Work 158. Our 137 auxiliaries with a membership of 3,812, report contributions amounting to \$7,552.77, an increase over last year of \$1,829.78.

With these encouraging facts before us, and the stimulating influence of our beloved Board in our midst, we enter upon another year with high hopes of doing even more than ever before.

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### MINNESOTA.

MRS. J. R. HALL.

The six Presbyteries of the Synod of Minnesota report this year 50 societies, 32 bands and schools, with a membership of 1,941.

No. copies of Woman's Work .....	250
No. copies of Children's Work.....	296
Amount contributed.. .....	\$3,760.96

Dakota Presbytery, with its churches of native Indians, now civilized and christianized, was, last October, presented by the American Board of Foreign Missions to the Synod of Minnesota as an "offering of the first fruits to the Lord of the harvest from the Sioux Nation."

This Presbytery reports that every church within its bounds has its Foreign Missionary Society, and every family takes one or more copies of their church paper, "Iapi Oaye," "The Word Carrier." The amount contributed to the cause of missions by this Presbytery, itself a "child of missions," and so lately recognized by us as able to stand on its feet in our midst, is not only far greater than that of any other Presbytery in proportion to its means, but in actual amount stands second only in this Synod.

Surely a grand proof of the success of giving Christ to the heathen, that these poor Indian women, and many of them so pitifully poor compared with their white sisters of the Northwest, should so put us to shame in their gifts to the Treasury of the Lord.

Mankato Presbytery reports a slight gain in numbers and amount contributed, and a decided gain in missionary literature, which gives strong hope for the future.

Red River Presbytery reports some loss in membership and amount, but when we remember the affliction in the family of their officers, and the exceedingly severe winter, preventing any active work in organizing, we do not feel discouraged, especially since they report a gain in circulation of "Woman's Work."

St. Paul reports a gain of 300 in members, about \$1,000 gain in money, almost 100 additional copies of "Woman's Work for Woman," and 150 additional copies of "Children's Work for Children." St. Paul will not take a step backwards as long as she has such a strong impetus in missionary literature. One interesting feature in this Presbytery is the work among the Chinese in the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, which presents a hopeful outlook.

Southern Dakota is not yet Presbyterially organized, but steps have already been taken to that effect. Several single auxiliaries have reported, and we hope by another year to report efficient work of a Presbyterial society.

Winona reports a gain of 72 members and \$58 in money; literature not reported. For that reason we hesitate to make pledges for her future, but her most encouraging feature is her feeling that she can and will do more in the future than she ever has in the past.

In the words of our beloved Synodical President—"We are thankful to record this a year of progress, and that in ways without number we have felt God's presence with us.

We earnestly hope that at our next annual meeting we shall prove by our works that we have gained largely, not only in numbers but in faith, in love, in zeal and in consecration.

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## NEBRASKA.

MRS. LUTHER HOADLEY.

Doubtless to many of us the question arises, "Can we this day present a pleasing oblation to the Lord?" Have we aided

in holding aloft the "Lantern of the King," that its bright beams may fall even upon those who walk in the darkness of heathendom? We know well that it was only the consecrated gift of self-denying love that brought forth the sweet words of commendation, "She hath done what she could," and can we be assured that the only devices wrought upon our offerings are Sacrifice and Love, then, by appropriation, these words can be used to encourage and cheer us, as we bring beside your richer sums the one now presented by Nebraska (the youngest of your sisterhood). Her Christian workers find themselves called upon to sustain and aid efforts for good in all directions, that the influences of the Church may be felt throughout her borders. Yet we rejoice that we are permitted to labor in this branch of God's vineyard, and we find the results of this work truly gratifying. Letters received from various parts of the State testify of a deeper love for the work.

The Presbyterial meetings have been well attended, and have proven a factor for good. One very recently held at Blue Springs is reported "the most delightful ever held in our Synod."

Last October the Synodical meeting was held in Lincoln. New methods and plans for more efficient work were devised. Mrs. Van Hook's presence was secured, and her story of mission work stirred all hearts. It was by her suggestion that a motion was made and adopted, that, as an expression of love and sympathy to our missionary, Miss Agnes Carey, a box be prepared, that we may send her some needed comforts. This appeal met a prompt and generous response. Four boxes have been sent, and freight paid as far as was possible (to Constantinople). They contained furniture, clothing, bedding, etc., etc., and we feel assured that, if they reach their destination in safety, her heart will be gladdened.

Through failure in receiving all of the reports, I fear that the entire results of the year's work cannot now be presented. But the fact that our total amount given for Foreign Missions shows an increase of nearly one-third over that of the past, gives proof of continued growth.

Our societies are nearly all formed for both Home and Foreign,

and our gifts to the Home Mission show the same proportion of increase.

Nebraska City Presbytery's report shows a list of twenty-seven Auxiliaries and Bands, five of which have been organized during the past year.

Kearney Presbytery has largely increased its gifts and numbers. The society of Kearney, that last year first reported its existence, now stands at the head in the list of donors. This Presbytery reports, also, an increase of subscribers for Woman's Work, and they have sent to Chicago treasury \$72.45, and have given for Miss Carey \$14.50, total \$86.95.

The Presbytery of Hastings holds so many faithful workers that, when the sum of gifts reported is read, we may feel that their report of work has not fully reached us, but their record is, we know, written above. Their total sum for Foreign Missions is \$39.75.

Omaha's report shows 15 societies and bands. Record, 20 copies Woman's Work and 45 copies Children's Work taken, and their total sum to foreign missions \$315.85.

To Chicago has been sent.....	\$214 75
For Miss Carey .....	101 10
Total .....	<u>315 85</u>

In rejoicing that figures have reached the sum of \$1,051.43, do not let us feel that this is all that we can do the coming year, for our advance of wealth and of number far exceeds that of older States; therefore the coming year we should strive to give a sum that will meet our present pledges and support one more missionary, as by special gifts we have found that the "oil nor the meal" have been exhausted.

Asking God's help, let us press on to increased labor and giving.

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## OHIO.

MRS C. C. DOOLITTLE.

Owing to the consolidation of the four Synods of Ohio into one, the Synod of Toledo, as such, no longer exists, but the

four Presbyteries which comprised it are still grouped together under one general secretary, carrying on the same work as before and still auxiliary to the Board of the Northwest.

The order of our meetings will be different in future—the full strength of the Presbyteries will be given to their spring meetings, making them more important, while the reunions or meetings of the four Presbyteries together will be less frequent than heretofore. We cannot refrain from expressing our gratitude, as officers of this organization, that amid the disturbance which unavoidably attended such a change, our relations are unchanged. The Missionaries whose names have been as a talisman in our homes, are still ours to care for and love; and our Board, with all its endeared associations, is still our Alma Mater.

Our Presbyteries report as follows:

#### MAUMEE PRESBYTERY

has 23 societies, 18 bands, membership 812; copies Woman's Work, 50; Children's Work, 54; amount contributed to Foreign Missions, \$770.96. As a Presbytery, they continue the support of Miss Fetter, of Omaha Agency. A number of the societies and bands contribute to other objects.

#### LIMA PRESBYTERY

has 13 societies, 6 bands; copies Woman's Work, 26; Children's Work, 21; contributions to Foreign Missions, \$658.24. A few of the societies and bands have special objects to which they send their funds.

#### HURON PRESBYTERY

reports 14 societies, 7 bands; number of members, 484; copies Woman's Work, 45; Children's Work, 64. They still support Mrs. Robertson, Indian Territory, to whom they are sincerely attached.

#### BELLEFONTAINE PRESBYTERY

has 16 societies, 6 bands; number of members, 600; copies Woman's Work, 49; Children's Work, 38; contributions to Foreign Missions, \$674.10. The interest in their missionary, Miss Hartwell, deepens as the years go by, and their corres-

pondence with her is a source of strength to the societies.  
From

OXFORD FEMALE SEMINARY

comes the report of loving words and loyal gifts for the Master.

“The Missionary interest of our school has seldom been more steady and earnest than through the present year. When our girls gathered on the front porch in the early morning of September 14th, to bid Mary Hesser good-bye as she started for Japan—when they entrusted to her words of love and blessing for Lila Garvin and Nettie Warner, our two other precious daughters, who were to travel with her over the continent and across the Pacific—we foresaw this deep and tender interest.

“Letters from the seven who have sailed in the past year, and from sisters longer in the field, are frequent and delightful; some of them were answers to packages of short letters sent out by our girls in November to many different fields.

“Our Sabbath evening ‘Twilight Meeting,’ in which we meet to pray for the Christian workers of the world, especially for those in foreign lands, has been full of bright young faces; and earnest voices, some of them with their first lisplings of the Father’s name, have there called down blessings on the far-away toilers.

“Our society numbers about one hundred and eighty (180). Monthly meetings have been held on the afternoon of the first Saturday of every month, conducted by a section of fifteen or twenty girls, with a variety of exercises. Our contributions for the year have been \$532.85, of which \$165 was received from the sale of the Memorial of Mary Campbell, and \$52.70 was a special thank-offering.”

GRANVILLE

reports for Foreign Missions \$72.31, toward support of Granville School, Futtehghurh, India.

We have only thanksgiving to record at the close of this, another year, that our path still leads forward, not backward.

## WISCONSIN.

MISS M. W. CANDEE.

Once again we stand upon the border line that divides the year that has passed from the year to come. And as we turn back to review our work, we feel that our Saviour's hand has led us, and that His love and blessing has been with us through every step of the way. We come up to this feast this year with reports of increased interest in our cause, and laying our gifts upon God's altar, we bring with them earnest prayers for His blessing, that like the widow's cruse of oil, they may daily be multiplied for His glory.

Wisconsin reports 54 Societies, and 24 Bands, with a membership of 1,625. Sixteen Sabbath Schools are engaged in missionary work. Eleven new organizations are reported during the year among societies and bands, while some of those heretofore reported have failed to respond. Our secretaries report 126 copies of Woman's Work, and 109 of Children's Work taken, with additional numbers of the Interior and Foreign Missionary as finding a welcome in many homes. Our contributions this year for Foreign Missions amounts to \$2,355.07, being an advance of 30 per cent. over our contributions of last year. For Home Missions our State contributions are reported as follows: Cash, \$1,630.98; boxes \$1,090.59; total home contributions, \$2,721.57. Not all our societies, however, have reported home work, as some work through the Woman's Executive Committee, and others are giving very efficient aid to their own feeble churches, thereby doing home work, which in most cases is not reported to us.

Special objects for work always bring enthusiastic workers. With tender interest the societies bring their gifts for our two dear young missionaries, Misses Cundall and Dougherty, and prayers without ceasing have gone up from every missionary circle in Wisconsin for them and their work, which prayers we know will be answered. It may not be in our way, but it will be in His way. The Laos Mission too has found a warm place in many hearts all through our State. Bible readers, scholarships and pupils have a new interest when a society can say,



“that belongs to me,” and so they have a stronghold on their hearts and in their prayers.

Letters from our own dear missionaries have been received from time to time during the year, although our beloved Fannie Cundall has been too much of an invalid to write as often as heretofore, and our societies have missed her precious letters. Only an occasional one from her has gladdened our hearts this year. But those we have received have been so full of consecration, and so ready in their submission to His will, who cannot err, that they have been sources of great blessing. Very interesting monthly letters have been regularly and carefully prepared by our secretary, Mrs. Vedder, for distribution among all the societies in the State, which letters have been the means of keeping alive the interest in many of our feeble societies. Very gratefully they speak of these letters in their reports. One secretary says “each society in our Presbytery has written twice this year to each of our two dear young Missionaries.”

From all our Secretaries comes the cheering word—“We have new members and increased interest in our work.” One local Secretary writes—“We have an average attendance of five in our little society, but have accomplished something in being able to keep up regular meetings.” In one family a Home Band has been organized, where a mite box has been placed to catch the stray pennies from the children’s store, and to enlist them in foreign work. We shall hope that another year may find more mite boxes to catch pennies for heathen children.

One Secretary writes—“I feel that the most hopeful indication of the year’s work is, that our Sabbath Schools are so heartily falling into line. One school has adopted a novel plan which is most enthusiastically carried out: A box bearing this inscription has been placed in their room—“A thank offering from children born in Christian lands to children born in heathen lands.” Into this box, after a birthday, every member of the school, both teachers and scholars, drop as many pennies as they are years old—the contents to be appropriated to the education of a child in heathen lands.

Our Synodical meeting this year was held at Beloit, and one room was packed full of earnest women, come together to find what the Lord would have us to do. Mrs. Rhea was with us, too, to break the loaves and the fishes to those hungry ones in that room; and as she read, with a new revelation, the old, old story from the Holy Book, seeds of consecration, and of faith and promise were scattered far and near, as we trust, to bear fruit an hundred fold for the Master's service.

The report of magazines taken is not quite equal to that of other years, but this may be attributed to the fact that many Secretaries report copies of the Interior and Foreign Missionary, Gospel in all Lands, and other magazines, taken by their societies. The Woman's column in the Interior has come to be a household necessity in many homes, who feel that its coming brings a weekly blessing; and so the knowledge of missionary work is gained, though it come through different channels. And may the dear Lord stay with us, and bless us and our work, enabling us in the future, as in the past, to "hold the fort" for Jesus and His cause.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS.

Several new names have been added to the roll of members in Burrton, Kansas, and to the subscription lists of both magazines. They feel particularly encouraged now, praying that they may be "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord."

Like the Society at Fort Scott, Kansas, they are so near the frontier they find much to do at home. The band of "Willing Workers" at the latter place well deserves its name; few of the children have reached their teens, but they are fitting for useful workers in the future.

In Eugene City, Oregon, both societies report steady work for the heathen abroad, while they are helping those who come to their own doors.

In Independence, Mo., a society was formed only one year ago, and as this is the first missionary effort of the Church, they

have earned special mention. All these Societies report great help given, in the monthly letter.

The Presbytery of Denver, in Colorado, reported growth. There are now 15 Societies and Bands, all giving promise of strength and efficiency. One encouraging feature was the willingness on the part of the few auxiliaries which had heretofore worked exclusively for home missions, to include the foreign work in their labors and gifts.

The praise meetings held throughout the Presbytery, in some cases in churches where was great religious interest, has done much towards the advancement of the work.

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### "THE BRIDE'S OUTFIT."

MRS. HERRICK JOHNSON.

Dr. Coan gives the following incident, as having occurred among the Nestorian Christians of Persia, during the great financial panic in America in 1857: "All our great missionary societies were crippled, and the cry of retrenchment was borne passionately across to the foreign fields; workers were discharged and missions closed. Report of the trouble came to these Nestorians, and they instantly summoned an assembly to consider how they might act so as to bestow help most quickly and effectively. The meeting was called to order by an aged believer, who began the conference by a distinct allusion to the costliness of their wedding ceremonies in those Oriental lands. He insisted that young people might be married in plainer costumes."

What followed at their meeting, and their plans for help, as stated briefly by Dr. C., have been thrown into the simple verses here given:

#### "THE BRIDE'S OUTFIT."

The clouds hung low in the Persian sky,  
Where gathered a little band,  
In sorrow and fear, this word to hear  
From the far, free Western land.

"We've no more to give and no more to pledge;  
Distress and misfortune reign.  
Men's hearts are failing them for fear,  
And the land reels with the strain.

"Withdraw the workers from every field,  
 Their books from the children take;  
 Retrench—cut down—remove—disband—  
 The outposts backward stake."

Tears fell like rain 'mid the little band,  
 When out spoke the leader old:  
 "'Tis the Master's work, and it must not fail—  
 We may have both silver and gold.

"But we have it only if loving hearts  
 Are ready for crosses and pain;  
 Behold before us the blessed way,  
 If but pride and self are slain.

"Our brides go decked for the marriage-rite,  
 In costly and brave array,  
 In beauty of silver and gold and pearl  
 They shine for the joyous day.

"But behold the Church, the Bride of our King,  
 As she goes to His palace of light;  
 She goes in the storm with her poor, bare feet,  
 In rags and scorn and despite.

"Did ever a bride in such meanest array,  
 To so royal a husband repair?  
 Let us robe her anew, as befiteth the King;  
*His* Bride for *His* palace prepare."

Then the loving little Nestorian band  
 Caught the glowing Orient speech,  
 And promise and pledge in beautiful word  
 Went quickly from each to each.

"A ring she must have, a shining pearl;  
 It shall be my gift," said one;  
 Said another, then, "for her journey long,  
 To shield her from storm and sun,

She will need a veil—I will cover the face  
 Of this fair, sweet Bride of a King."  
 Still another spoke—"But she must not *walk*;  
 A sure, swift steed *I* will bring."

"O Prince's daughter," rang soft and clear,  
 "How beautiful are thy feet!  
 If she ride, she must have the richer shoes;  
 They shall be for her station meet."

In a grave, sweet way, still another voice  
 Took the circling symbol up:  
 "The wine of the Kingdom, so rich and pure,  
 She shall drink from a golden cup."  
 "And what shall she eat on the wearisome way?"  
 Said the leader, questioning still:  
 "The sweetest fruit of my vineyard," said one,  
 "From the sunniest spot on the hill."  
 "Can a maiden her ornaments e'er forget?"  
 —'Twas the voice of a fair young girl—  
 "I will give my own for this queenly Bride,  
 Silver, and agate, and pearl."  
 "I have nothing to give but a poor worn *mit*,"  
 From his poverty then spake one,  
 "But perhaps the Queen would step upon that,  
 When her long day's ride is done."  
 Now, Mar Yohannan, their ruler, sat  
 In silence, amid them there;  
 No word had escaped him, unless, perhaps,  
 He were saying an inward prayer.  
 Then the leader cried, with a piercing glance  
 On the royal guest cast down:  
 "Who gives for this daughter of a King,  
 And this Bride of a Prince, *a crown?*"  
 Then Mar Yohannan, where he sat,  
 Upraised his princely hand:  
 "Right royally, with a crown," said he,  
 "Shall the Bride go through my land."  
 So the clouds were cleared from the Persian sky,  
 And the earnest Nestorian band,  
 With their precious offerings thrilled the heart  
 Of the far, free Western land,  
 Where silver and gold, and wealth untold,  
 Are heaped, or scattered, or stored,  
 So much poured out for self and the world,  
 So little for Christ, the Lord.  
 Ah! surely, the Prince's beautiful Bride  
 Goes crownless through many a land,  
 Nor ring, nor veil, nor a golden cup,  
 Is offered from many a hand.

Ah! *empty* hands, with never a gift,  
 With sacrifice never the least,  
 Will the King reach down *full* hands to you,  
 When He calls to the marriage feast ?

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### LINE UPON LINE.

MRS. JOHN ALLING.

Some years ago, during a session of the Woman's Congress, held in Chicago, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe was announced to speak upon Finance.

At the appointed hour she came forward and commenced her address by saying she knew of no reason why that subject should have been assigned her except that she knew nothing about finance. With a reason as potent, in that my efforts in promoting the subject under consideration have never been crowned with remarkable success, and with the same that enables unmarried and childless women to furnish the best theories on the government of children, I venture before you to consider for a little "how we may interest children in foreign missions." Unlike these women mentioned, I have no new plan or startling method to introduce. The programmes admirably carried out in the model meetings publicly given, and those excellent leaflets, "Our Mission Band," "From Five to Six," and others, exhaustive in suggestion, leave nothing to be desired, and it would seem useless to bring forward new plans, even if one had sufficient ingenuity to devise them.

Our question of "How to interest," intimates that *all* children are not absorbingly interested in foreign missions, and it may be well to consider if possible the reason for this indifference. There are usually lions in the way of any undertaking, but sometimes by a brave attack we may lay them dead at our feet and pass on to victory. Sometimes we find them too powerful to be slain outright, but by persistent effort and united watchfulness we can so bind them that they are well-nigh harmless.

In the work we now consider, the first lion which boldly confronts us is, I think, the age in which we live. The minds of

children, even from babyhood, are attuned to the high note of the attractive and stimulating.

From the time their senses develop enough to separate individual things from the mass—the eye to see and the hand to choose—one attraction succeeds another until even the child in the nursery finds itself surrounded with an embarrassment of riches. In the school room every lesson is arranged in the most attractive manner; if text books fail to interest, object lessons and illustrated charts are added or supplemented.

All their literature, charming as it is, is aided by the highest art of the illuminator, and new designs appear in too rapid succession for the interest to flag. The effect of all this is plainly evident. Children nourished on this highly-seasoned diet cannot accommodate their pampered appetites to simple food. They are not absorbingly interested in anything not made striking and attractive. They relish not oatmeal after being surfeited with rich meats and bonbons. It is true oatmeal can be sugared and creamed and made so palatable that the eater thereof may not know the difference between it and the bonbon. So, a heaven-born teacher, with just the right proportion of serpent and dove in her composition, may take the oatmeal of the missionary meeting and magazine and so sugar and cream it by the nicely adjusted arrangement of tableau and fair, of meeting and study, that it will be swallowed with desirable avidity.

There are mothers, too, who perhaps are now turning towards me eyes filled with wonder as I not only intimate, but almost take it for granted, that only by great exertion and by vying with popular methods we can arouse or preserve missionary interest in our children. Others still, whose blessed lot it is to rear their children in the quiet of country homes, where they are not so early satiated with every form of amusement that they have no fondness for simple pleasures—these tell me their experience is not thus. Their children love the missionary meeting; "Children's Work" is their favorite periodical.

Are not such cases exceptional, and are we not now seeking facts in regard to the many in our churches and Sunday Schools

and the few in our missionary gatherings? So, without bemoaning unduly the age in which we live or place of residence, the difficulty of finding our ideals in method or literature, we must take your family and mine — your First, Second and Third churches and my Fourth,—and agree that the way we live now is a lion in the way of interest, and we can not slay him. Can we bind him? Yea, verily, I believe.

I think there is one mistake which underlies all the projects of our present age: We can do so little, we expect our children to do so little if not pleased in the doing.

A writer in one of our best magazines calls it a pestilent notion that children should “do only what they like to do and when they like to do it,” and claimed that it is wellnigh elevated into the rule of life. We want for ourselves and our children to be coaxed into doing our duty. We are not fond of putting our hands into our pockets and taking therefrom what should go direct to the treasury of the Lord. It is much easier to array ourselves in goodly apparel, and, in company of those whom we love, have it beguiled from us by sweet-toned beguilers, who make melody for charity’s sake.

I suppose it is natural for children to love a party rather than a prayer meeting—to stay at home and follow their own sweet wills, than to be subjected to the restraints of the school-room. Church-going, to the unregenerate child, becomes irksome after the novelty wears away. In these matters wise mothers do not allow inclination to be the rule, or expect them to be always entertained in right doing, but they try to gradually form a habit which, in forming, leads them along the straight and often uninteresting line of duty. It is only after the habit is formed, and by the help of divine grace, that it becomes the curved line of beauty and interest. Can we not apply this principle with equally good results in regard to the cause of missions among children? Starting with the idea which was the key note in the magazine article referred to, may we not train our little children to concentrate their powers on occasion, to do what perhaps their inclinations do not favor, and this power in time will become



the rule of life, and not only interest but efficiency in the work will result.

If it is a foregone conclusion in the family that foreign mission work is one of the great works of life, to be done and well done, if from the first a child sees it taken up conscientiously and as a matter of course, I think there will be no more question concerning the final result of interest than in the matter of church and school.

Let no one question my desire to cater to the inclinations of children, or think that for a moment I would disparage one charm to be derived from intellectual, practical or social means. Use the sociable, the tea party, anything that will make the doing pleasant. To this end I would make of special importance the choice of person who shall manage all children's enterprises.

There can be found in almost every community one who has the magnetic gift of enthusiasm, to whom a collection of the driest of bones is only an opportunity; who, if need be, could make a treatise on regeneration interesting to a child. Such an one will probably have other duties, but all can suffer with less hurt than the children. She may be young or past middle life, this divine gift depends not upon age or condition, but her value is priceless. She will know that knowledge must lie at the foundation of all interest, that there must be study and drill, and she will know how best to compass it and make the getting a joy.

What I do mean is that if in spite of this heaven-born teacher, in spite of these methods of drill and instruction, of study and festivity, the interest is spasmodic and subsides with the evening's entertainment, if children will like "St. Nicholas," better than "Children's Work," and the party from three to six, better than the missionary meeting, let us not wholly despair of their future. Let us all the more see to it that they early form the habit of going and doing, willingly if they can, dutifully if they must.

In my mother's home there was a little domestic duty daily exacted, the daily doing of which my soul abhorred, although I

do not suppose it ever occurred to me openly to complain. My amazement was beyond expression when a visitor offered to do it for me with an eagerness that seemed superhuman. That any one should voluntarily do a distasteful thing was beyond my childish comprehension.

In after years the little duty became a pleasure, and in turn I was able to surprise my little ones by doing *con amore* what they did from a sort of unrecognized compulsion. So will it be with all matters spiritual. The love of them is a growth—it must be nourished and cultured, and doing for duty's sake in the beginning will grow into the doing for love's sake.

In summing up the results of juvenile classes, I suppose we do not make our reports of success depend on the actual work done, or money given. We regard such results in the same light we do the aid our little ones give us when we spend hours in arranging and overseeing work which our own practiced and deft fingers would do in minutes. We look not at work done so much as the lesson learned, and we can not too early begin to teach that to be successful demands faithful work—not done according to one's inclinations, but by concentrating the reluctant energy upon the well-doing in spite of want of inclination. Children thus taught will give sure promise for the future, and when those whose lives have been spent in faithful doing for their dear Lord's sake, who pleased not Himself, are called to higher service, they leave their work to hands trained to efficiency—to wills not subject to the caprices and moods of the hour, but that can rule their nature—those to whom "joy is duty and love is law."

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## MEDICAL MISSIONS.

MISS ALICE MITCHELL.

Both in history and in opportunity the place of special medical mission work for women by women is important. In many lands the need for this is more than great—it is imperative. On this point let us listen to the testimony of our missionaries themselves, who, by long observation, are well qualified to speak.

Dr. Beilby, of Lucknow, writes: "The need for medical missionaries for the Zenanas is so great that no one can tell half the need unless they are here to see. Hundreds die for the want of medical attention that only a qualified medical lady can give, and it is a vain dream that the Zenanas will soon open to medical men; that time is a far distant one, and it is now that these women are suffering."

Dr. Elmslie, of Kashmir, also writes: "This is the key which may be said to fit every lock, for there are few if any homes where the lady medical missionary would not be heartily welcomed and blessed for her humane efforts. She would soften bigotry, remove prejudice, dispel ignorance, drive away gloom, and unobtrusively, but nevertheless effectually, deposit the all-pervading leaven of the gospel in numberless hearts and homes."

There is much of the same necessity in China as in India for the special effort of women in this department, although social customs there do not effect so complete an exclusion of women from the attendance of medical men. But of the greatness of the opportunity for such work, its great success in past years leaves no doubt.

From the Turkish empire a missionary writes: "It is my present belief that a well-taught female physician in this place would find access to the families of all classes of the people, not excepting the Mohammedans, and she would not find time to attend to one-quarter of the calls that would be made on her professional services. I long to see the experiment tried among us."

Such being the need for this work in these populous empires, it is surprising that it was not entered upon sooner, and, when begun, taken up more generally and vigorously. What has been done in this respect by European churches, we have been able to learn only partially. But so far as America is concerned, it began in 1870, when Dr. Clara Swain, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was sent to Bareilly, India. The very next day after her arrival her work commenced, and rapidly grew in extent and in favor. Arriving in the latter part of January, the

1st of March found her engaged in teaching a class of nineteen girls and women, thirteen of whom, three years afterwards, received certificates authorizing them to practice in all ordinary diseases. During the first year of Dr. Swain's residence at Bareilly, 1,225 patients were treated at the mission house, and 250 visits made to the houses of patients. The need of a hospital became apparent and pressing, and the missionaries looked about for a suitable site. An estate adjoining the mission premises was pronounced the only desirable situation. There was little hope of obtaining it, as it belonged to a Mohammedan prince, known to be utterly opposed to christianity. However, it was resolved to make the attempt to procure it, and for this purpose a delegation was sent from the mission to his Highness, to see what arrangements could be made. One of these ambassadors tells the story as follows: "We went up the steps and into the 'presence' with some trepidation, but felt reassured when his Highness arose, smiled, and extended his hand. We talked a little about things indifferent, praised his gardens and palaces, complimented him for his taste, etc., while his Highness smoked his hookah, and looked more and more pleased. Finally the prime minister arose and whispered something to him, to which he assented. The minister then told Mr Thomas to make his request, which he did with as much shyness and blushing as a school-girl. He said he wanted to procure, upon some terms, the estate belonging to the prince, in Bareilly, for the purpose of building a hospital for women. He had proceeded only so far when his Highness graciously smiled, and said: "Take it, take it; I give it to you with much pleasure for that purpose." All Mr. Thomas' fine speech and arguments, which he had been getting up in his best Hindustani for a week, were of no use. There was no occasion for them at all. The estate is worth at least fifteen thousand dollars. There are forty-two acres of land, an immense brick house, two fine old wells, and a garden."

Thus auspiciously did the work open in India. Dr. Swain continued five years in Bareilly, during which time her enterprise grew and prospered. Her health being somewhat impaired,

she then returned to America to rest. She was obliged to stay four years in this country, returning in 1879 to her chosen field of labor. In the meantime, however, four others, Dr. Monelle, Dr. Green, Dr. Lore, and Dr. Woolston, came to India, and medical missions were begun at several other points, Lucknow, Moradabad, Gondah and Cawnpore, in addition to that at Bareilly. One of these new missionaries, Dr. Green, afterwards Mrs. Cheney, died at Nainee Tal after a residence of only two years in India. The others are still engaged in this work, which is full of interest and of rapid growth. Other societies have sent their missionaries to start a similar enterprise in other cities of India. Our own church has but one representative, Dr. Seward, of Allahabad.

In China, as in India, the Methodist women of America were the first to take up this department of missionary labor. In 1873, Dr. Combs went to Peking to begin a somewhat experimental work among the women there. She found a good opportunity for her practice, though there was at first not a little prejudice to overcome. But perseverance and love for the work won the day, and when, after nearly five years of these pioneer efforts, Dr. Combs removed to another station, she left a well established and flourishing hospital at Peking. Dr. Leonora Howard, who had joined Dr. Combs in 1877, continued in charge of the medical mission at Peking until the fall of 1878, when an opening of a peculiar character and importance seemed to call her to Tientsin. It was in this wise: Lady Li, the wife of the Governor General of the province, fell sick; Native physicians were powerless. Foreign physicians were called in—a sufficiently unusual proceeding, but they were withheld by the customs of Chinese society from making necessary examinations, and consequently a complete cure could not be effected. Finally Dr. Howard's name was proposed and she was sent for. Apartments were provided for her at the Governor's residence, and her treatment of the Governor's wife was successful. Other high officials sent for her to their families, and many urged her to remove permanently to Tientsin. A wide door of usefulness seemed open there, and it was

important that it should be entered immediately. Influenced by this consideration, Dr. Howard consented to remain, and the Peking hospital was consequently closed till reinforcements should arrive from home. A temple was set apart for Dr. Howard to use as a dispensary, and Lady Li promised its entire support. From Mr. Pilcher, a missionary in Tientsin, we quote the following: "The position of Dr. Howard as a christian missionary is fully recognized, and no restraint is put upon christian work in connection with her practice, so that, in effect, part of one of the finest heathen temples in Tientsin is devoted to distinctively christian work with the sanction and under the auspices of the leading statesman of China."

In 1874, a new centre was occupied. In answer to urgent calls for a medical woman in that place, Dr. Sigourney Trask went to Foochow. Here she received a warm welcome from the missionaries and soon found her hands full of work. In 1876, a hospital was begun, and completed the following year, a commodious and convenient building, affording accommodation for a large number of patients. During the two years after the completion of the hospital building, 1,208 out-patients were treated, and seventy-eight, principally surgical cases, were received into the wards. A native christian teacher, resident in the hospital, devoted her entire time to the instruction of the patients, and one of the missionaries also gave much time to this work. After six years in Foochow, Dr. Trask came to this country for a brief rest, but returned after a few months to her work in China. In 1878, she was reinforced by the arrival of Dr. Sparr.

Dr. Trask had been accompanied on her coming to China by Dr. Letitia Mason, also of the Methodist church. She proceeded to Kiukiang, where a mission similar to that at Foochow and Peking was begun and carried on by her until 1877, when she was prostrated by fever, and after weeks of illness, was finally obliged to relinquish her work and return to her native land. Dr. Strittmater, of Peking, filled the place thus left vacant until 1879, when Dr. Bushnell, of Evanston, Ill., relieved her.

Dr. Bushnell has since remained in charge of the mission at Kiukiang.

The work thus begun by the Methodist women of America was soon taken up to some extent by the other churches of this country, especially the Congregational and Presbyterian churches, but the number of the workers is pitifully small when compared with the millions of the population of the empires of the east. Our last year's reports show two ladies engaged in this work, one in China and one in India. At least one other, to my knowledge, has been sent out during the year, and there may have been more. This Board of the Northwest has as yet sent out no medical missionaries, but we are glad to learn that the coming year will see a beginning made in this respect.

It is not strange that suitable candidates for this branch of the great missionary enterprise of our church should be hard to find. It calls for special training and special qualifications. Humanly speaking, the missionary teacher requires in the way of training for her work, only a good common and christian education. The missionary physician must add to this years of technical study. If the missionary teacher has need of strong self-reliance and sound health, much more the missionary physician. Her life will be one of ceaseless labor, from which it is almost impossible to escape for a day—even for an hour. She will be burdened with heavy responsibility, the weight of which, unlike the missionary teacher, she can share with no companion, at least, until that happy, but we fear, far distant time arrives when we shall send our physicians, like our teachers, two by two. Added to the isolation and responsibility of such a work are, of course, the endless difficulties which superstition and stupidity, uncleanness and unkindness can throw in the path of medical practice. We are tempted to exclaim that it is impossible, that frail human nature is not equal to so great a task. Unaided it is not. We must cry to our great Helper, "O Lord, I am oppressed; undertake for me." Are there none who hear the answer, "go, and I will be with thee"?

## CHRISTIAN WOMEN OF THE FIRST AND NINETEENTH CENTURIES.

MRS. E. S. WILLIAMS.

To understand and appreciate the intense devotion of the christian women of the first century to the person and cause of Jesus of Nazareth, we must examine into His relations to woman during His life on earth; we must transfer ourselves, in imagination, to

"Those holy fields,  
Over whose acres walked those blessed feet  
That, eighteen hundred years ago, were nailed,  
For our advantage, to the bitter cross."

We must see woman as she was, even in Palestine, before the advent of Jesus, a bearer of burdens, a menial and drudge, the servitress, rather than the peer of man; we must note the sudden and surprising change which the advent and mission of Christ wrought in all those women who became His friends and followers; how suddenly, from a state of abjectness, they blossomed, under His genial smile, into a noble christian womanhood.

On the canvas of the first century, what a bright aureole is seen around the heads of the Marys and Martha, Salome, Joanna and Susanna! In the perspective they stand out as prominent figures, by virtue of their nearness to Jesus, the central object of all history.

It would seem that He designed that the sex, to which alone He sustained a mortal kinship, should, by virtue of that relation, receive, in the persons of such members of it as acknowledged Him as their Head, a special increase of worldly dignity and honor which man should not share.

Here, in part, may be the explanation of the prominence given by the Evangelists to those women who were the earthly friends of Jesus. They stand, in the Gospel record, in conspicuity and dignity, next to the Apostles, and are almost the only others of His followers whose names have been transmitted us. Through the centuries, these names have been household words, wherever the Gospels have been read, while, notwithstanding



Christ had descended, they went out from that upper chamber with hearts full of gratitude and love, to a life of labor for the Master, or to a death of suffering for Him if He so willed.

The designation by the Holy Ghost—*the women*—gives us the names of many, and the characters of all the female members of that Jerusalem prayer meeting. They live enshrined in the memory and heart of the Church, its perpetual benediction and inspiration. Some of them went from that prayer meeting to Antioch, where the most voluptuous Paganism was antagonized by their self-sacrificing piety, and were there first-called Christians. They spread over Asia Minor, and with tears in their eyes, and tears in their voices, told of a risen and ascended Christ. They labored in season and out of season, and suffered gladly for the Master's sake, who had so gladly suffered for them.

Such were the women who blessed the first century of the Christian Church, and while they thus labored (and humbly, but gratefully, be it said), in great part, *because* they thus labored, Asia Minor was rapidly christianized, and the Lord added to the Church, daily.

It seems strange how soon after the death of that generation of women, who had personally known Christ on earth, this love and zeal grew cold. And still more strange, that, during the seventeen intervening centuries, so little of it reappeared in our sex.

It is only in our own day, that woman has again been led, by God's grace, to assume some of those missionary labors in which the early female disciples abounded.

The last decade has witnessed a most astonishing revival of missionary zeal and labor, on the part of our sex; a change so great that it amounts to a religious revolution. By systematized and efficient agencies, woman is making her missionary influence felt all over the globe.

Now, as in Pentecostal days, not all women are doing this— not even all who profess faith in a risen Christ, and hope to be saved by His death.

But in all the Evangelical denominations, there are those thus engaged. As in the first century, they have been those who

have been nearest to Jesus in ministrations and in sympathy; who have gathered in the upper chambers, consecrated by the blessed memories of His presence.

And is not our loved "Forty-eight" one of these ?

For hither oft times come, from the Bethanies which Jesus blesses by His spiritual presence, the Marys, who have sat so lovingly at His feet; and the Marthas, who have served Him so willingly; the Joannas, who have left their luxurious surroundings to follow the Master through dusty streets; and the widows, who have cast their living into his treasury, and tell us of their precious communings with their Lord. They tell, too, of mighty works Jesus is doing in their hearts, their homes, their hamlets. Hither come, also, those still more blessed ones, whom the Master has permitted to labor for Him in far-off continents, and in isles of the sea. They come with travel-soiled garments and toil-worn bodies, but with shining faces, and heaven in their eyes and upon their tongues. They tell us of the wants of the heathen world, from personal contact with the spiritually famishing. And seeing and hearing them, we long to grow like them, in their love and self-sacrifice.

We need all these elevating influences in "Forty-eight." We need the prayers, the sympathies, the encouragement of the personal presence of all who can thus sustain us. We want the spiritual life-currents that are flowing through so many hearts and homes in the great Northwest, to pour into "Forty-eight," in an ever-rushing tide. For "Forty-eight" is not upon Mount Pisgah, though from it we catch some ravishing glimpses of the heavenly Canaan. It is in an upper story of a business block in the busiest city of the Northwest; and the intense activity of the busy streets below is to be found there, differing only from *that*, in that its activity is far more akin to the ceaseless yet joyous employments of heaven.

But "here, in the body pent," labor, even though it be ever so joyful, begets pain and weariness, from which even "Forty-eight" can not be exempt.

From it, as from the Jerusalem chamber, may proceed blessed spiritual influences, but only as it is sustained and ministered

unto by the prayers, sympathies and gracious words of that class who, in Pentecostal times, were designated by the Holy Spirit as "*the women.*" Thank God, that so many of this class now bless the world by their presence, and that their numbers are growing, and their graces also.

And why should woman be any less devoted now, than in the early age of the Church ?

Her obligations to Christ are as great as were those of the women of the Jerusalem prayer meeting; her gratitude should be none the less. It is through Him that our social elevation and dignity has come, as did theirs. It may not have come to us so suddenly, but it has come to us as certainly.

But while woman everywhere and always should labor for Christ, there are special reasons why she should work for Him *now.*

Women are now better equipped in mental and spiritual accomplishments than in the past; and while the individual woman can do more, the number of educated, disciplined women has been indefinitely increased. So the sex, as such, has a power never heretofore attained, and which, in the development of spiritual and religious life, has been demonstrated upon large fields and with surprising results.

Again, the world is so intense now, along all the lines of material progress and sensual gratification, that a like intensity is demanded in the Kingdom of Christ.

Then, is not the immunity which God is granting woman from many forms of labor, a reason why she should give Him some of the time and strength thus saved ?

How machinery, in God's providence, has multiplied her hands and given relief to her muscles!

In the memory of some now present the spinning wheel was an indispensable article in every home. In this one matter of spinning, it is estimated that machinery has, in the last four or five decades, increased the value of human labor one thousand fold.

We can all remember when the song of the shirt could be sung at almost every fireside, and with infinite pathos in some

homes where there was no fireside. Now, sewing machines have multiplied human fingers indefinitely. God has done all this.

Is it only that our wardrobes may be more elaborate, and a thousand stitches be set where one sufficed before? The only garment beautiful in His eyes is the seamless robe of Christ's righteousness.

Has He not thus supplemented the work of female hands by machinery, in order that those hands can do more and better work for Him?

Another reason why woman should work for Christ *now* is, that the world is more populous than in ages past, and there are more souls to be saved or lost. There is something intensely solemn in the thought that in the time spent in this afternoon meeting more than 14,000 souls will have been summoned to the presence of the Great Judge!

Still another reason why we should work *now* is, that the world is *wider* now than ever before.

At the beginning of this century one half the world was shut against the gospel. Since then China, India and Japan have thrown wide their broad portals, and the Isles of the Sea have freely opened their gates to christianity. Heathen nations stand on tip-toe, looking for the rising of the Sun of Righteousness.

Again, we should work for Christ *now*, because we know the wants of the world far better than any of the past generations. And this, with the ability to supply, involves an increase of responsibility.

At the dawn of this century few of our church members were acquainted with the wants of the heathen world. Now even the children in our Sabbath schools are not ignorant of them.

Just one hundred years ago, in a cemetery in a German city, a massive tomb was erected. Its proud owner meant that in it he and his should remain forever undisturbed in their dreamless sleep. God and his creatures were ever to be barred out of the presence of the haughty sleepers. The tomb, built in the form of steps, held together by massive bars of iron, bolted and

riveted in the everlasting granite, bears this inscription over its portal: "This sepulchre, purchased for all eternity, is not permitted to be opened."

The helpless clay of the sleepers crumbled and became dust. Meanwhile, a little beech seed, planted by God's hand in a crevice of the tomb, grew year by year in the sunshine and showers until its sturdy roots rived bolt and bar and massive granite, and to-day the sepulchre is open to every stranger.

One hundred years ago, Satan, in the arrogance of his pride, inscribed over that great spiritual tomb, in which lay the whole heathen world, "this sepulchre, purchased for all eternity, is not permitted to be opened."

But He who holds the winds and the waves in His hand, wafted across the oceans the mission seed which then seemed the least of all seeds, but under the sunshine of His providence and the dews of His grace, has grown until the roots of its spiritual banians have pierced every heathen country, and burst open every stronghold of paganism.

It is for us now, as it was for "the women" on that first glad Easter morning, to "*go quickly*," and tell the world of His rising, and may it be said of us, as the Evangelists said of them: "And they departed *quickly* from the sepulchre, with fear *and great joy*, and *did run* to bring the word."

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### A PEN FOR THE MASTER'S USE.

MISS ALICE W. MILLIGAN.

'Tis a pen for the Master's using,  
 With a value not its own,  
 Though its gold is bright, its ivory white  
 And its point of precious stone.  
 Of itself as we look upon it,  
 It writes out thoughts of love,  
 While it lies in place in its velvet case,  
 With a name that is dear above.

For the name of Mary Campbell  
 On the lining of the case,  
 That has edges worn and leather torn.  
 With brimming eyes we trace

The touch of her vanished fingers  
 Wore the brazen hook away.  
 Do you wonder then that this golden pen  
 Is a sacred thing to-day?

Below her name is "Christmas,"  
 With "eighteen seventy-five."  
 And an ink-stain, made where she sometimes laid  
 Her unwiped pen aside.  
 Tho' when and where, we wonder,  
 Came the hurried call,  
 The pen says not, and the inky blot  
 Holds the history of it all.

This pen for the Master's using,  
 With its gleam of peace, good will,  
 Came to girlish hands in foreign lands,  
 From sight now folded still.  
 It wrought out patient school tasks,  
 It sent home words on fleet,  
 On loving wing, till she could bring,  
 Instead, her presence sweet.

The Master always uses  
 The nearest pen of all  
 When He sends requests to His wedding guests  
 To come to His banquet hall.  
 This pen, that was ever ready,  
 Sent a brother the message sweet,  
 Of a robe to wear, a feast to share,  
 And a Master dear to greet.

The little one answered gladly;  
 He came to the banquet spread,  
 He leaned at the feast on the Master's breast,  
 He heard every word He said.  
 And the dear Lord loved him fondly,  
 And bade him ever stay  
 In an upper room of the palace-home.  
 And the boy is there to-day.

This pen, in girlish fingers,  
 Sent thro' loving hearts a thrill  
 When it wrote: "My all is at His call,  
 Just *when* and *where* He will.

What if that *where* should call me  
 To cross the ocean wave!  
 If the Lord should lead, could you bid me speed,  
 His falling grain to save"?

The answer came back quickly,  
 From a pen that was near of kin:  
 "'Tis your Father's prayer that you leave your 'where,'  
 With the Lord and follow Him.  
 And the mother heart, all loyal,  
 Replied with throbs of pain,  
 "Our gift once laid, with a covenant made,  
 We will not take again."

So the pen wrote of a journey  
 Over mountain and ocean old.  
 And the fresh young heart showed in every part  
 A gladness it could not hold.  
 And the joy grew ever stronger  
 As the distance grew in length,  
 'Twixt herself alone and her very own,  
 For "the joy of the Lord is strength."

The pen then wrote of the harvest  
 That stretched to the distance dim.  
 'Twas the Reapers pain that the Master's grain  
 Ungathered lay for Him.  
 The call she gave fell feebly  
 On ears that did not heed;  
 But the echo grew when the call was thro'  
 "The harvest yet hath need."

It reached the ear of maidens  
 Who sat at ease that day:  
 They rose from the door, looked the white fields o'er,  
 "The Reaper has fallen," they say,  
 "We must save the Master's harvest,  
 For a storm is coming on."  
 Their sickles they clasp with a hearty grasp,  
 To the scorching fields are gone.

And other good reapers are going  
 When their sickles are whetted keen,  
 And we know right well where our Reaper fell,  
 Will the Master's best be seen.

And only when nothing but stubble  
 Is left where all harvest grew,  
 Will this pen be done with the work begun,  
 This life with this living be through.

"What I have written, is written,"  
 Said one who on Calvary stood;  
 And little we tho't of the meaning well-wrought  
 In those words both of evil and good.  
 For that which is written may circle  
 With gladness for many a year,  
 And a pen, in a hand with beauty outlined  
 May pierce His dear heart like a spear.

We are only safe when clinging  
 To the cross at lowest part,  
 And the words we write with its base in sight  
 Cannot hurt His wounded heart.  
 The pens that are anointed  
 With His sweet, sacred touch,  
 Are the pens alone that He calls His own,  
 That He loves and uses much.

There is many a fair young writer,  
 Holding her pen alone,  
 Needing so much the Master's touch  
 To make her words His own.  
 His hand, that is true and steady,  
 On her He would gladly lay;  
 Then, the words of her pen may be writ again,  
 With joy on the Judgment Day.

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### THANK-OFFERINGS.

MRS. D. E. FINKS.

In coming before you with a plea for thank-offerings, I know I shall not speak to dull ears, or appeal to cold hearts. Your presence in this assemblage is pledge of your sense of obligation to our common Saviour, for the gift of salvation. Indeed, since leaving my distant home, under the shadow of lofty mountain peaks, in journeying the many miles which lie between sunny Colorado and this City of the Straits, the thought has come again and again, what other object is great enough, what other theme vast



enough, what other cause strong enough, to call woman from her fireside and family, save this one supreme motive to spread in loving gratitude the name and honor of her Redeemer? He who, even in the death agony, was mindful of sorrowing womanhood, can never fail to command our loyal service whenever his voice is heard saying, "My daughter, I have need of thee." In response to this call, I have come with my brief message concerning thank-offerings.

A missionary to two of the principal tribes of Brazil tells us that they do not possess, in their dialect, any word corresponding in the least to our word "thanks." Although inveterate askers, they never showed the slightest sense of obligation, or evinced a particle of gratitude. They would take, and take, with the greatest greed, but never, by sign or look, show any emotion of thankfulness. Knowing this fact, we are prepared to appreciate the extreme difficulty of inculcating the spirit of christianity among them, which, born in sacrifice, carries with it, wherever it permeates, the spirit of deepest gratitude for that most precious gift, the Beloved, the Son of God. Surely, no Christian is worthy the name who does not feel the heart thrill with thankfulness

"At the mere thought,  
How Christ our life has bought."

And that gratitude may well be suspected, which never makes any outward demonstration of its existence.

It is most natural, it is most fitting, that when a heart is alive with love it should seek some way of showing that love by visible token. Costly caskets of precious perfume, raiment of wondrous texture, food of rarest delicacy, houses or lands, our ascended Lord needs not, else would we bring them in lavish profusion for his service. But since, in his own person, he needs not our silver or gold, sometimes we forget that these gifts are still necessary to make known his name among the nations of the earth. Could we but minister to his necessities as to a human friend, how fully, how freely would the service be given. But since our eyes may not behold his smile of love; since we can only serve him as we serve the necessities of others,

we sometimes fail to perform these sweet ministries of love. Absorbed by the pleasures of the passing moment, quick to perceive and enjoy the beauties which art and nature lavish on every hand, eager to attain culture of mind and grace of manner, intent on the crowding occupations of a life filled to the brim with privileges rich and opportunities rare, many a professed follower of the lowly Jesus forgets her less favored sisters in the dark places of our own and other lands. Or, if she is occasionally reminded as she drops a few easily spared coins into the hands of the missionary collector, the disturbing thought is soon banished by the absorbing intricacies of her artistic needle-work, the beautiful productions of her skilled brush or her manifold engagements. Thus, indifferent to the claims for common gratitude to that gospel which has made such a life of culture possible, sympathy is buried deep beneath neglect, and Christless women sink daily into Christless graves. Alas! that hearts should ever be cold, or service formal, or gifts aimless. Last evening, as the vast congregation here gathered, joined in that noble hymn, and the stirring notes rose in swelling melody, surging through this beautiful vaulted roof, or died away in the pathetic refrain—

“I gave my life for thee,  
What hast thou given for me?”—

it seemed that every heart must surely melt in affectionate tenderness, and that all would hasten with offerings of life, love and service. Oh! for a love that overleaps the sluggish flow of indifference, that prompts to gifts of sacrifice from hearts glowing with gratitude. Our gifts will not then be a cold and formal offering, but we shall give our hearts with our means.

Gifts from the hands are but so much “silver and gold, but the heart gives that which neither silver nor gold can buy.” And it is this precious heart-gift that makes that which our hands bestow of real service. We often hear people wondering at what they call the meager returns for the large amounts spent in missionary effort in our own and other lands, but if we pause to consider how small a proportion of that amount is truly a gift of

love, consecrated by the fervent prayers of the donors, no surprise need be felt. Is it not too often the gift of the hands merely? The heart has had no part in the offering. God calls not only for consecrated workers to proclaim his gospel, he calls also for consecrated means to support these workers in their labors. Let none of us wait for special times or occasions to present our thank-offerings. Daily the blessings come; daily the mercies flood us; daily and hourly the debt of love we owe accumulates.

Shall not mothers who look into the smiling faces of their children, aglow with health, feel a thrill of gratitude that their darlings have been given and spared to brighten their homes? How can that gratitude find more fitting expression than in a gift sent that other homes might be made brighter and better? Shall not the wife, happy in the consciousness of the confidence and affection of her chosen companion, bring her gift to the Christ who has made such happiness possible to her? Shall not christian woman in every condition and circumstance, make a fitting gift of thanks for the mercies that daily crown her life?

As we look at these flags of all nations that so gracefully drape this circling gallery round about, and yonder our eye rests proudly and fondly upon the emblem of our own nationality, surely we must feel an emotion of thankfulness that this free and christian land is ours. Think for a moment what it is to be without Christ! Think of all the modest graces of the mind, debased or wholly undeveloped. Think of the sensitive nature of woman, her instinctive yearning for love, implanted by the Creator, crushed out, trampled upon. Think of her as you may see her to-day in other lands, yoked side by side with the beast of the field, the rude and heavy plow guided by the hand of the man who should protect and cherish her. Think of her bending under crushing burdens of toil or neglect; think of her suffering, and none to soothe, dying, and none to weep. Who shall dare to stay our hands, as we hasten with the humanizing influences of the gospel to the savage and barbarous land of her birth. Compare with rapid thought your comfort with her discomfort; your happy home with her

unhappy abode; your wealth of love and respect with her poverty of heart and mind. When we thus consider what christianity has done for the women of this gospel land, our hearts surely must respond with liberal thank-offerings.

Sisters, let us remember that it is the cross of Christ that thus elevates us to noble maternity. You who look upon sons entering upon a promising manhood, who amid the distracting ambitions and fancies of youth, yet cherish in their hearts that which responds with a glow of love to the word "mother," may well remember to-day the unhappy woman of heathendom whose son looks upon her with contempt, or who regards her at best as a drudge to obey his whims with servile docility; a creature to be struck down with a blow if he chooses. When woman realizes the proud estate to which christianity has raised her, the noble heritages it permits her to bequeath her daughter, of purity, of intellectual training, of love and homage, should not her sympathy go out to the degraded woman whose life is spent in ignorance and superstition, whose daughter, even if she be permitted to live, can hope for nothing better than her mother's sad lot.

Think again what christianity is to you amid the trials of life. For, in the hour when the thorn of trouble pierces the heart; when the flail of tribulation bruises the soul, in that hour it is that woman most needs a Saviour. Had we not such a Comforter, what desolation would fill the soul! Is it any wonder that a soul with no anchor to outride the storms of life makes sad wreck? Is it any wonder that the sufferer often takes, with murderous hand, the life given by the Creator?

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## THE WORLD A DEBTOR TO MISSIONS.

MRS. A. F. BRUSKE.

There is, perhaps, no surer source of satisfaction to our souls than the contemplation of our own good works—works that we know have been arduous and unselfish, and whose results have been all, and even more, than we had hoped. It is the christ-

ian's joy at harvest time, and 'tis so much more congenial to poor human nature to be self-satisfied than to be humble, that sometimes in our large ideas of what we have done, we fail to remember that we are debtors also.

With inward congratulation, we sit down with our various missionary reports, and count by the hundreds the laborers we send into foreign fields, and by the millions the dollars we expend in the conversion of the heathen. We read with a glow of pride of the marvelous way in which the Islands of the Sea have been won from cannibalism to Christ, of the Pentecostal revival among the Telugus of India, of the open doors of China and Japan, of light shining into the Dark Continent, and everywhere we see our own work and that of our co-workers, mirrored back in the lives of the people. There's a thrilling inspiration in all this, and a deep feeling of thankfulness comes into our hearts, that God has given us a part in making the desert rejoice and blossom as the rose. But while we are made glad by these truths that are borne to us from across the seas, bread that we have cast upon the waters, shall we not also with humility look down the years of the past, to the time not many centuries ago when we were the recipients of others' bounty, when our own ancestors tattooed themselves, dressed in skins, and offered human sacrifices, and when woman was but little better than the slave that was bought and sold? Then christianity and idolatry touched each other in the nations of Europe. And now, in contrast with those darkened times, we think of our own fair land, the land that is ours through the suffering and sacrifice of others, that is crowned, as is no other land, with that liberty wherewith Christ has made us free, that is rich with the blessings of a loving Heavenly Father, how small seem all our own achievements in the light of our inherited blessings! Surely, not only with a temporal meaning, but with a deep spiritual significance, we can accept God's message to the wayward Israelites—"I have given you a land for which ye did not labor, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not, do ye eat." This is the heritage bequeathed to us, not only by our pilgrim fathers,

but by those as well who labored in the thick gloom of earlier centuries; and we to-day, no less than they of eighteen hundred years ago, need to thank God for him who led the van among the missionaries to the Gentiles.

What christianity has done for us, it has done and is still doing among other nations of the earth. European civilization owes no less than does our own land to the work of the christian missionary. The late Governor General of India, Lord Lawrence, says that "Missionaries have done more to benefit India than all other agencies combined."

No achievement has ever been made in behalf of Africa equal to that which converted the old slave market of Zanzibar, where formerly thirty thousand slaves were sold annually, into mission premises, with a church, mission house and school.

No one who reads the literature of missions, or, indeed, our best magazines and newspapers, can fail to observe that wherever in this broad world the christian missionary goes, there cannibalism ceases, there the offering of human sacrifice ceases, there woman is uplifted, there, churches and colleges and hospitals are built; the standard of morality rises, and degradation and suffering are supplanted by the comforts and blessings of civilization. Even for physical well-being, the human race owes much to the gospel of our Lord. But while christian nations have been giving of their abundance to send the glad tidings to the uttermost parts of the earth, behold they have but verified the word of the Lord—"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth." The world is enriched by the very wants created by the gospel message.

Says an able investigator in the economy of missions: "The day we christianize a heathen, we create in him a desire for a better physical condition. One of the first manifestations for good among the Sandwich Islanders was the desire for clothing, and everywhere experience is the same. They see in the mission dwelling and family that civilization is better than savagism. Instead of floorless and windowless huts, they aspire to houses with doors, windows, floors and furniture, and commerce supplies these from a nail to a sofa." Dr. Moffat says that when

he went as a missionary to South Africa not a pound's worth of British goods were sold where hundreds of thousands of pound's worth are now sold. The Zulus of South Africa, in the year 1870, paid to the merchants of Boston, for the single article of plows, more money than was spent on the missions among them for that year. A missionary in Eastern Turkey is reported as having ordered from America more than a hundred fanning mills for the natives among whom he preaches. The last number of the Foreign Missionary announces that prepaid subscriptions to the New York Weekly Tribune, to the amount of \$47, were recently sent through the Board from Persia—only a straw, but it shows the direction of the current.

It is a well-known fact that the commerce created between the United States and the Sandwich Islands has yielded sufficient profit to this country to pay, in two years, all that the mission ever cost.

Indeed the business statistics of every mission field but confirm the theory that the money expended upon foreign missions is more than returned to us in our national prosperity.

Looking at the subject from another standpoint, results have shown that it would abundantly pay our own government and the governments of Europe to entirely sustain the missions in the islands of the Pacific, merely for the benefit they thus derive in the safety secured to ships which are obliged to refit and recruit in these ports. There is scarcely an island that has not witnessed some scene of massacre, but under the wholesome influence of missionaries, there has been almost an entire revolution, so that ships may anchor in safety in nearly all the ports. And to come still nearer home, the christian missionary has borne no insignificant part in the history of our own country. The story of how Dr. Whitman rescued for us the gold and the glory of our Pacific coast, is familiar to every schoolgirl. But these investments have returned other than financial profits.

Science herself is richer because the christian missionary has poured his offerings into her treasury. In a paper read before the American Institute by Geo. May Powell, he pays this tribute to those who have been sent out by the various Boards

of Foreign Missions. "They have patiently collected and truthfully transmitted a great amount of exact and most valuable geographical knowledge—all this has been done without money and without price, though it would literally have cost millions of treasure to secure the same by other means." He says also: "Much of discovery, especially in regions most difficult to reach, which has been credited to enterprising travelers and explorers as their own, would be more correctly stated if written down as simply forwarded through them to the scientific world by missionaries."

"Few are aware," is the testimony of Agassiz, "how much we owe to missionaries for both their intelligent observation of facts and their collecting of specimens." He also says: "We must look to them not a little for aid in our future efforts for the advancement of science."

Carl Ritter, the prince of all geographers, confesses that he could not have written his vast works without the aid of material collected and transmitted by missionaries. The celebrated astronomer, Herschel, acknowledged his obligations to them for important discoveries. Prof. Whitney, of Yale College, writes: "Religion, commerce and scientific zeal rival one another in bringing new regions and peoples to light and in uncovering the long-buried remains of others lost or decayed; and of the three, religion is the most pervading and effective."

'Tis true the missionary goes not forth as an explorer or a scientist; his work is a holier one than this. He is God-sent on an errand of love; but if your daily task should lead you along the sea beach, would you disdain the pearl that lay shining at your feet, because you came not there to gather pearls?

There is no one who lives for a noble purpose but can bless his fellow men in a thousand ways which he has never planned, and though the one, the only object of planting christian missions, is the evangelization of the world, yet it is fitting that these mission stations shall at least be links in the chain that shall draw the truth-seekers of the world together. But the missionary enterprise of this age has borne to the heart of the christian church a richer blessing than aught which the world



can claim. There's a dear old passage in the Bible that sinks into religious experience like a well of pure water, so deep that we seldom taste its sweetness because of the effort and self-denial required to procure it. It reads thus: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Surely this precious truth, with the pure gold of heaven in it, outweighs all temporal benefits. It is based upon that most beautiful of all spiritual laws, that we cannot unselfishly seek to bless another without ourselves receiving in return.

One who mourned over the march of sin once said to an old man: "Alas for our destitution! Within the bounds of our association fifty ministers might labor. We have not ten who are sound in both health and in faith. We need forty more pressingly. How shall we get them? What shall we do?" He was somewhat surprised to hear his aged friend say, with slow severity: "Send one-half of the best you have away. Send half of your ten across the ocean!

"'He that watereth shall be watered also himself.' For fifty years you have paid scarcely the least attention to our Captain's last charge—'Preach to every creature.'" Half were not sent, but some were sent, and their number of ministers and communicants was doubled and doubled again within the memory of a middle-aged man.

It is by constant giving of its rarest gifts that the church grows strong.

The economy of our Lord in the work of his kingdom is marvelous. Capitalist and manufacturer rejoice at the opening of new ports and the establishment of new trading posts, that their business interests may be advanced; but they are guided by an unseen hand. The Lord has need of their ships and their wares, and it is because He wills it that they are sending them to the destitute people of the earth as they are roused to a sense of their needs.

A lover of science triumphs in the fact that in the north and south, in the east and west, there are men who are keeping watch of stars and gales, heat and cold, studying fauna and flora, questioning stone and shell, language and race, and thus

enriching human knowledge. But the Lord has need of this truth also. He has preëminently given to christian nations the ability necessary to develop the resources of the earth. He has also preëminently revealed to them the wealth of resource in newly explored regions. While this may be to them the means of gaining riches and knowledge, who can question if there is not a far-reaching purpose underlying this, planned by One whose thoughts are not as our thoughts, nor whose ways as our ways, but One who reigns supreme among the nations, though they know it not.

“O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and his ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord, or who hath been his counsellors, or who hath first given to him and it shall be recompensed unto him again?” Verily “the earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein,” and the time is coming—for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it—when “every knee shall bow.” Then the *world* shall confess itself debtor, not alone to our narrow schemes for its evangelization, but debtor to him, above all others, who came on his great mission from that land of glory to this land of sin, who paid the price of its redemption,” not with contemptible things as silver and gold, but with his own precious blood.

Ah! what should *we* do had we not Christ to sustain, to comfort and to soothe in such hours. How well you remember when the dark shadow of a coming separation fell across the threshold of your home. What terror of apprehension filled your heart as the shadow deepened and broadened, falling like a pall upon the little crib where your darling lay. How your soul stood still in a dumb agony as lips paled, the cheek blanched, the breath ceased, and you laid away the loved form all redolent with bursting rosebuds and delicate swelling blooms to await the triumphant morn of the resurrection. As you came back to your home so very, very empty, so very still, it seemed that you had buried your heart with your dead.

“Oh time and change! How strange it seems,  
With so much gone of life and love,  
To still live on.”

Yes, life remains, and daily duties. We must travel our dusty highway still, but do you never hear in the lonely watches of wakeful nights, above the sighing wind, above the beating storm, low soft tones calling "mother, look up, I wait for thee?" And looking up the tears that blind our eyes are shone upon by a ray of glory from above, and each drop is spanned by a rainbow of hope and promise. The jewel that death took from our lingering clasp becomes a star to light the vault of heaven itself. Oh sorrowing, yet hopeful christian mothers, remember in that sad hour, sorrowing, hopeless, Christless mothers. Lay your thank-offering, wet with tears, consecrated by affliction, at the feet of our risen Lord, in whom we have hope of meeting our dear ones again.

But, listen! What sound fills the air? It is the measured tread of unseen humanity, marching, marching to the grave, in a steady, ceaseless column. And sad as is woman's estate in life without Christ, sadder by far is her estate hereafter. An eternity without God! Dreadful thought! An eternity of woe unspeakable, of darkness impenetrable, of agony past conception; an eternity of hopeless, endless, boundless, measureless misery. And can you or I save a single soul from such a fate? Oh! that, thrilled by a common impulse, christian women would come and pour out their thank-offerings upon the altar of the Lord. Roman matrons, in the crisis of their nation's history, cast their rarest jewels and most costly ornaments on the sacred altars. And what is the meaning of this golden hour of diffused intelligence, of educational facilities, of books manifold and agencies powerful, of accumulated wealth? What the meaning of this network over land and sea; this rapid communication by cable, and telegraph, and telephone, by rail and ship, but that a crisis in the history of the nations of the earth is fast approaching? There is no glamour of enchantment here, but facts and opportunities that call for stalwart faith and sacrificial giving. Then let us dedicate our womanhood to the work. Let time and culture, "let hand and foot, pen and voice, brain and purse," show\* gratitude for salvation to be a real and genuine impulse, a high and holy purpose. Then shall we hail the

auspicious day when missions at home and abroad shall progress with a power never yet witnessed. Come, then, to the Lord's treasury, with your thank-offerings. Come often. Come prayerfully.

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### "THE LORD HATH NEED."

MRS. H. A. EDSON.

It is six years since I came up to the feast at Chicago. How beautiful these women of our Board have grown in six years! But I am surprised to see how small they are; I can take any one of them in my arms. I expected to find them twenty-five thousand miles around, for I know that is the measure of their hearts and heads; and ever since the Tuesday evening meeting I have been surprised at every visit to the mirror to find that I am really no taller and no broader, and have only two eyes in my head.

I am glad I came. I have been uplifted, strengthened, and I have four eyes to see to go home, for I have seen the King through Mrs. Rhea's eyes, and last night I took up my bed and shall walk home with it. Before we separate I want to tell you that the Lord hath *need*, and that the *Lord* hath need, and that the Lord *hath* need *now*.

"One day in the second year of the war, my son Willie came to me and told me he was going to enlist. I did not say much against it, for he was only eighteen years old, and I thought they would reject him for that reason. Would you like to see his picture?" And the beautiful old lady got out the photograph for me to see, but not to handle. "You see what a fine, manly looking boy my Willie was. They did enroll him, and hurried him to the train; he had no time to come home and say good-bye—just scribbled a hasty note to tell me. I can't tell you how I felt. By night I would start up from sleep, thinking I heard him groan; by day I would sit and think he might be suffering with hunger, till it seemed to me I must feed somebody's boy or die! So I made a practice of offering food and water to the soldiers who passed my house. A few months

after, standing by the window just after breakfast, one morning, I saw two weary-looking soldiers coming down the street. 'Mary,' I said to my daughter, 'run and ask those poor soldiers in to breakfast.'

"As she opened the door, one of them came in at the gate. 'Why, mother!' said Mary, 'don't you know Willie?' I leaned against the door-frame—a little of the same feeling I had then comes round my heart while I am telling you my story. 'Willie,' said I, when I found my voice, 'I am glad I acted like a mother to my own boy.'"

The day draws near, in this War of the Ages, when those who open wide their doors to share with "the least of these," whom the Lord loves, will be glad that they withheld not from their own dear Lord! He stands with pleading face and outstretched hands before our doors to-day. "Naked, ye clothed me not; hungered, ye gave me no meat." While there are hungry souls to feed, and unsaved souls to save, the Lord hath need.

He, only, fully knows the need; we could not bear to know.

When the Nation counts one man's pulse, and measures his breathing, three times a day for eighty days; pushes his car to Elberon on flowers; tosses on wakeful pillows, listening for the bells to tell that the man it loves rests from pain, business is paralyzed, the common, daily tasks are dropped. How often could our hearts bear breaking? Moses could not bear the sight of God; we could not bear the sight of man—his sins, his sorrows, and his sufferings, as God sees them. We should stand in the cleft of the rock, and ask God to cover us with his hand, while the *world* passed by. Thank him for dim eyes, dull ears, and forgetfulness! We can not bear to see, to hear, and to remember. He knows how much a soul is worth; He knows the price He paid. He knows how souls need God in the hour of death; He remembers what a cry of anguish was wrung from him when for a moment He was "forsaken." He knows the bliss of Heaven, and the despair of Hell.

He sees man's inhumanity to man; knows the full iniquity of heathen religions, governments and customs; religions which

license sin, foster crimes, make no pretense of purity, impose cruel conditions for promised benefits, exalt man and crush woman, dry no tears, and even impudently laid hold upon the King, the Son of God, to lead him astray!

He sees heathen governments, whose strength is used to exalt themselves, and oppress the people, and defeat justice. Was He not tried, condemned and executed by a time-serving heathen governor, when all the weight of evidence proved him innocent? He had experience of the "unjust judge," when he was crucified and Barabbas was set free.

And the customs, slower of growth but more tenacious of life than religions or governments; customs that exclude learning, build barriers that are like the death-lines at Andersonville—between classes of society; destroy the home, trample woman under foot, mutilate the body, and strike the medicine from dying lips!

All this He sees, and knows that, when the Gospel is preached to every creature, all these ills will be remedied. Who is responsible for this work? There is not an instance in the Bible of angels preaching the way of salvation; they could give Peter's address to Cornelius, and prepare Peter for the messengers; could send Philip to the Ethiopian, and Ananias to Saul of Tarsus, and open the prison-doors to let the apostles go free for work, but all actual preaching of the Gospel seems to have been then, as it is now, a work given to human tongues to do. If this be true, the responsibility rests upon individual christians.

As one of the great army whose appointed work lies close at home, I have been trying to find out what it is of woman's work and woman's gifts for which the Lord stands pleading.

The Lord hath need of a place in every christian woman's life, for this work which we call "Foreign Missions." A branch can not be said to "abide in the vine," unless the life-current of the vine circulates freely through the branch, to the tips of the twigs. One hindrance to this enterprise is the pernicious idea that the branch is privileged to decide just how far this circulation shall extend; it would prefer to be like a system of water-pipes in a house, with a "cut-off" in each story, at will. It matters not

what cuts off the current at this point, whether it be ignorance, and consequent indifference, or the more common and dangerous pleas of business, or poverty—all are wrong.

The average American woman is a busy woman—man-servant, maid-servant, butler and baker, all in one; her part in public work is like the orchestral score for cymbals—mostly silent measures, yet indispensable, giving stress and emphasis, I might say endorsement, to the grand harmony: what can a busy woman do to help her Lord to save the world?

She can pray. The christian world has circled India upon its knees this month, next month we meet around Siam and the Laos. Come, busy woman, pray with us, not for one day, but for thirty days, for Siam and the Laos, and if you forget the names and call it “Geos and Deos,” go right on praying, the Lord knows the right name, and the arm that leveled Jericho has lost no strength.

She can read her Bible with heathen eyes, to see how wonderfully it suits their needs, as well as ours, and how many of the promises they can claim.

We have seen how Christ’s experience with Pilate enables him to sympathize with them, and how He was tempted like as they are to worship the Devil; what a sympathizing high priest waits to minister to them.

When she reads of the Bible-God who would not let the mothers be repulsed from him, and said “suffer little *children*,” not *little boys* alone, “to come to me;” who promises to “gently lead” woman in hour of trial; the God of Mariam, Ruth, Esther and the Marys; when she sees that nowhere in this book is a dove of peace that flies not, wing and wing, for man and woman, will she not long to share with them who have it not, this precious book?

There is a wall, like a sea-wall, between her and the degradation of her heathen ancestors—how high and how thick is this wall? It is just the height and thickness of this Bible, no more, no less; just that has separated this busy woman, who forgets the heathen blood in her own veins, from all the depth of woe of heathenism. Not charity alone, nor the strict justice of

the golden rule, but a decent sense of obligation also demands that she shall share her Bible with her heathen sisters.

When she has *prayed* and *read*, she needs must *talk*, to help. One earnest woman, with consecrated tongue, and one heart of twenty-five-thousand-mile capacity, can do more for missions, in a month, than a minister can in a year, by enlisting others, and urging and fostering organization for systematic work. She must make it her business to pass along the marching orders.

When she has prayed, and read, and talked, she will set aside some portion of her income to send the gospel and messengers to preach it; she will pay a missionary's salary, support a hospital, a mission school, or Bible reader.

But if she be a poor woman, poverty will try to cut off the supply from the vine at this point, saying "you can give so little; what good will it do?" The Master did not allow that excuse when the five thousand were hungry. He made the disciples bring just what they had, and after he had blessed it, lo! it was an abundance.

The hundreds of millions that are hungry now, and cannot "go to the villages and buy," will be filled when the disciples bring just what they have.

She will ask for money when the Lord hath need. Many are glad to give when giving is made easy, and faithful collectors will be indispensable until the christian world has learned the blessedness of giving; then the gifts will be brought to the treasury by the givers. What though this labor of love be sometimes made unpleasant? Suppose the disciples had felt a delicacy about going to borrow that colt for the Master to ride on?

And still the Lord hath need. What waits He for? Is it her child He needs, to help him save the world? He is asking her to do what God the Father did, who "so loved the world," whose wants He knew so well, that "He spared not his own Son." What loftier station or nobler employment can a mother crave for her child than that of co-worker with God in the task of saving a lost world?



The woman who "doesn't know anything about it," must not let her ignorance be a "cut-off," the Lord hath need of her. Many a highly educated lady has no practical knowledge of missions; many a clever tongue and pen lie idle, or are used against the cause, out of sheer ignorance of it.

In this great day of opportunity there is need of specific instruction, to awaken and develop the missionary spirit. There are signs that christian people are lifting the bandages off their eyes—the proprietor of a large book-store where I lately made unsuccessful inquiry for a standard work, remarked that he would have to lay in a stock of that kind of literature, for he had so many calls for it. Public libraries are beginning to consider the necessity of providing more material for reference, for this class of patrons. When one has an essay to prepare, which must needs comprise somewhat more than geography, articles of commerce, and general exhortation, it is hard to find materials, one is led into so many blind alleys before making any real progress.

Do we not need a large consolidated Presbyterian magazine, worthy to be compared with Scribner's in careful selection, abundant space for good writers, and the attractions of a clear letter-press, smooth paper, and original illustrations? The organ of our great Church would seem to be entitled to the whole time and best work of a capable editor, in addition to the present corps of wide-awake war-correspondents in the field. The writer is but one of many who believe that such a periodical, though it might require a costly equipment, would soon become self-supporting and a source of revenue.

There are two fairly good models doing good service, "The Church Missionary Intelligencer," the organ of the "Church of England;" and the "Allgemeine Missions Zeitschrift," published at Gütersloh, Westphalia, with the name of the "beloved and beloved" Dr. Christlieb on the cover.

And O, for a new Cyclopædia of Missions! The only one we have was printed in 1854. For the sake of light and progress, give us something fresher to draw from than the stale old fountain! True, the "Ten Historical Sketches of Presbyterian

Missions" is a valuable help, but it is Presbyterian, and therefore limited. Has a time come for a text-book on Foreign Missions in our Sabbath-schools and Mission-bands? There is not, I am told, a book yet published, giving an account of Persian missions, outside of Oroomiah station. There is an Almanac published by the publishers of the "Gospel in all Lands,"—the "Missionary Almanac for 1883,"—packed like kernels of corn on a cob, "no standing-room left;" I will not squander my precious allotted time for speaking, in telling what it contains, but every society ought to own at least one, if it would keep up with the times.

In addition to the inconvenience of ordering by mail, without opportunity for examination before purchase, its high price is a hindrance to the free circulation of missionary literature. Comparatively few can afford to own a good selection, available for research in studying the twelve topics of the year. Why can we not have it in paper covers? I can buy the life of Carlyle for twenty cents; my life of Livingstone cost me six times as much. There are some books, for instance, Dr. Field's "Around the World," which ought to "take off their things, and make themselves at home," in at least one house in every society. Leave off their fine clothes, and let us have our friends in paper covers, Messrs. Publishers, they will find a welcome, and do good, and pay expenses.

This Convention has voted to join in a memorial to Queen Victoria. Let me suggest that we, representing the women of the North-West, send a petition to Joseph Cook, to write a book, or series of articles, on some topics which he touched only too tantalizingly in his recent "Monday Lectures." Three times in this meeting, I have heard them referred to; and this indicates that new ideas, or old ones, in fresh dress, vigorously presented, are eagerly sought for and appropriated. There are a good many books now, considering the youth of modern missions; but there cannot be too many written by men gifted with adjustable vision, to whom big things look big, and little things look little. The Lord hath need of the "alabaster" inkstand!

*How shall they be equipped who go to teach the Gospel?* In that beautiful story which we thought was a fairy tale when we were young,—but have since opened our eyes and seen ourselves its heroes and heroines,—Christian visits the “House Beautiful;” there he rests, is fed, catechised, armed and drilled; and is posted as to the whereabouts, strength, and tactics of Apollyon. Not only Charity and Piety were there, to comfort and uplift him; but Prudence and Discretion examined him as to his qualifications, and “had him into the study where they showed him records of the greatest antiquity, the pedigree of the Lord of the Hill, and the acts he had done;” they also instructed him in the will of the Lord, and showed him the “Delectable Mountains” further on, to keep his courage up while passing through the “Valley of Humiliation.”

We have heard of the special training required by Medical Missionaries; I want to urge to-day the need of a “House-Beautiful” course of instruction for our Missionaries who are not “M. D’s.”

It cannot be admitted that “Piety and a common school education are sufficient,” when it is considered that, for quite one-half the population, they are the only religious teachers until the primary object has been attained, and the converted women are willing to talk with pastors and elders about publicly professing christianity. All the pastoral work up to this point, and much of the “nurture and admonition” afterward, must be done by the lady missionaries; they need to know how to “open the Word,” and how to “divide the Word;” they need to be prepared with arguments and reasons to meet the opposition of intelligent classes of heathen people. They have other responsibilities; the harvest they and we are trying to raise is the seed-corn; when that is ripe and sowed again, the missionaries’ work can be given up to native pastors and teachers, as was done long ago in the Sandwich Islands.

The selection of seed-corn, the training of their successors, and the settlement of questions which arise, are but a few of these responsibilities. Christian did not snatch up the first weapon at hand, and run to meet Apollyon; but some of our mission-

aries tell me that they have often felt just so poorly prepared to encounter them. There was a young man who laid aside the armor and went to meet a giant, with only his strong practised young hand, a sling, and a smooth stone. Yet it *was a practised hand* that slung the stone and slew the giant; and when he "pursued after" the giant's army, he wore the armor,—it was no longer a duel, but a battle.

The disciples were sent out hurriedly; the people were in a state of fusion, the metal was liquid, and unless the workmen hastened to turn it into the molds, it would be chilled in the furnace, and the Lord's work be lost. Yet they had served an apprenticeship with the Master himself; had looked into his eyes, and watched the motions of his lips and hands for years.

There is need of haste, now;—O for a thousand tongues to tell it! Once more the world is fast becoming plastic; the molds have been ready for eighteen hundred years, and the workmen must not be too late. The adversary is not idle, nor are his resources and skill to be despised; and whether we will or no, our influence is felt the world around; wherever our slow-footed virtues go abroad they find our vices already "gone to housekeeping." And if we consider only our own good, we shall see that we have kept our lights under the "bushel" till they have almost gone out. The Lord hath need of laborers now, but it is the *Lord* who needs; and His work demands workmen "thoroughly furnished."

I would not recommend a course of study as long as that required of our ministers, nor that it should include the ancient languages. There are ships on the stocks in an Eastern navy-yard, whose keels were laid years ago, and unless they are finished soon they will be too old to launch. But for these teachers who must preach, let us consider the practicability of a "House-Beautiful" preparation. There are probably not less than fifty young women, some under appointment, others waiting "on approbation," now under the care of the six Presbyterian Women's Boards for Foreign Missions in this country. Several plans suggest themselves, by which this noble company might be drilled:—first, by the establishment of a Training-

school by the joint action of the six Boards; second, by the endowment of a Professorship in some institution of learning already established; and third, by a course of study pursued at home (as the Chautauqua course is,) directed by a capable teacher through the medium of correspondence, followed by personal examination at the end of the term: even this education at "long range" would increase the usefulness of those who go; and by applying an additional test of fitness, make each missionary by so much less an "experiment."

Sometimes our Christianas are speedily taken in charge by Great-hearts,—in other words, marry other missionaries,—and cause thereby no little disappointment and sense of love's labor lost, to those who have outfitted and sent "our missionary," and who forget that missionary wives and mothers wield an influence not found elsewhere.

Wifehood, motherhood, childhood, and christian home; flower and fruit of christian civilization! The wife honored, protected, cherished,—the mother surrounded with all that love, aided by science, can furnish,—the child, sexless to the parents' hearts, held in loving subjection, and reared to free, useful, intelligent christian manhood or womanhood! "Our missionary" is not lost, but gone before,—higher,—moreover it is a fact that, almost without exception, the missionary wives and mothers are untiring in active, aggressive work. And christian widowhood exhibits perhaps the extreme possibilities of the Gospel for woman. One widow like Mrs. Dr. Warren in India! honored, capable, trusted to hold the helm dropped from her husband's hands,—preach me a sermon on a better text than that, to show what Christ has done for woman!

There are some yet living who saw the birth of modern missions; if it be true that christianity has gained as many nominal adherents in the past eighty-three years as in the 1800 years since Christ lived on the earth, there may be some now in their cradles who shall see its work accomplished, the Gospel preached to every creature.

One has said that Jesus stands with pierced hands molding the world into the shape of a crown; moistening, softening it

with his own tears, and with the blood the nails set flowing. By and by the Lord will have another need; angels could not weep with him at Gethsemane, and angels cannot understand his joy; there was too much grief for him to bear alone that night, and the day is coming when the Redeemer of the world *will need us to help him* REJOICE !

“Rejoice with me, for I have found that which was lost.”

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